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Future of BWD's watershed lands under discussion

By ALISON ALOISIO

The future of the watershed property that provided Bethel's source of drinking water for more than a century is under discussion by local and state officials.

A 2007 flood in the 2,500-acre Chapman Brook watershed filled the brook with tons of gravel, boulders, and trees, essentially destroying it as a source of water.

The Bethel Water District then installed a series of new wells on the North Road. Those wells, independent of the watershed, currently supply water to BWD customers.

District trustees must now decide what to do with the watershed parcel, the vast majority of which is located in Newry.

Trustees and State Rep. Jarrod Crockett (R-Bethel) are currently researching the options for future use. Any plan would have to comply with stipulations in the property's deed.

Background

In 1925, William Bingham II gave the 2,358 acres of Newry land in trust to the BWD's predecessor, the Bethel Water Co.

To protect the purity of the water, Bingham's deed restricted activity, particularly wood harvesting. Only enough wood can be cut to pay the taxes on the land.

Today, the district pays approximately \$4,000 to Newry. (BWD does not pay taxes to

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SAD44 bracing for further cuts in state aid for current year

By ALISON ALOISIO

Two weeks into the school year, SAD44 has "initiated a freeze on our budget over all non-emergency purposes," Supt. Dave Murphy told the School Board Monday.

The reason: a curtailment of current state aid is expected, "at least the equivalent of last year," Murphy said.

In 2008-2009, SAD44 lost approximately \$165,000 midway through the school year.

This time, "depending on state revenue, the number could possibly end up being higher," he said. "We have a very tight budget, and it will be extremely difficult to deal with the loss of any state aid this year."

He said the state is expected to have more specific figures

within the next few weeks.

School lunch prices up

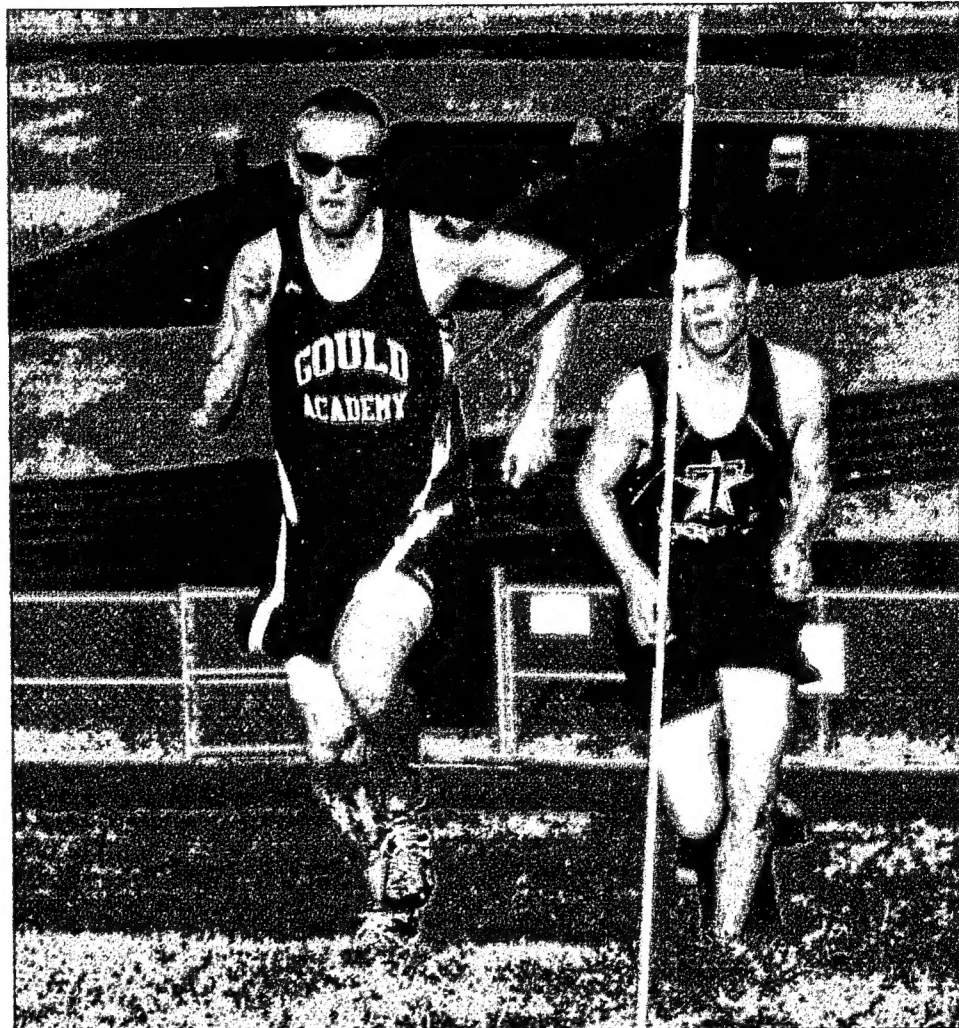
On another financial front, directors Monday approved an increase in the prices charged for school lunches and breakfasts, to students who must pay the full cost.

Breakfast for grades K-12 would increase to \$1 from the current 75 cents; lunch K-5 would increase to \$2 from the current \$1.75; and lunch 6-12 would increase to \$2.25 from the current \$2.

The changes will take effect Oct. 1. Students who receive reduced-cost lunches will not see any price hike, Murphy said.

He said that with recent tight budgets, SAD44 has not

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LOCAL X-C ACTION

Under a bright sun, the Telstar High School cross-country team hosted a meet among several schools last Wednesday. Here, Gould Academy's Dolan DuMont and Telstar's Ben Lewis climb the hill to the THS baseball field. Results, Page 11.

(Photo: Anne Marie Mahar)

THS '08 grad now tackling long, hard trails on horseback

By ALISON ALOISIO

When Lindsay Bean was a child, she owned her own pony and rode draft horses on her family's dairy farm.

But when she tried her hand at endurance trailriding at age 14, her casual love for equines turned into a drive for excellence.

Lindsay, a 2008 Telstar High School grad who is now study-

Lindsay Bean has begun competing in events that include international riders, and she and a mentor are setting goals for the future, possibly including the World Equestrian Championships in 2014.

ing biology at the University of Southern Maine, lived in Dixfield during her childhood.

She sometimes came to Bethel to visit her aunt and uncle, Tim and Joanne Korhonen. The Korhonen live just up the road from Tom Hutchins and Kathy Brunjes, who are both accomplished equestrians.

They offered Lindsay a chance to try out trailriding

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Ice-rink supporters get cracking

By M. DANIELS

Will WinterFest 2010 (Jan. 23-31) herald the return of ice skating to Bethel Village?

If not, it will not be for lack of effort — but if it does, even more effort and long-haul commitment will be demanded.

"We've been working with engineer Jim Sysko to establish the possibility of bring-

"We would like to have WinterFest 2010 inspire the 'rebirth' of an outdoor ice-skating facility for the community."

ROBIN ZINCHUK

ing back an ice-skating rink to Bethel," Robin Zinchuk, executive director of the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce, told town selectmen Monday.

"We would like to have WinterFest 2010 inspire the 'rebirth' of an outdoor ice-skating

facility for the community," she said.

"We hope the selectmen will agree it's been a loss not to have an ice-skating rink," Zinchuk told the board. "Many, many people enjoyed the skating rink on the town common."

She was referring to the rink that was on the common for

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Bethel selectmen now support grants to study heritage/recreation center here

By MICHAEL DANIELS

The ice-rink effort is not the only such chamber undertaking to gain traction of late with the Bethel Board of Selectmen.

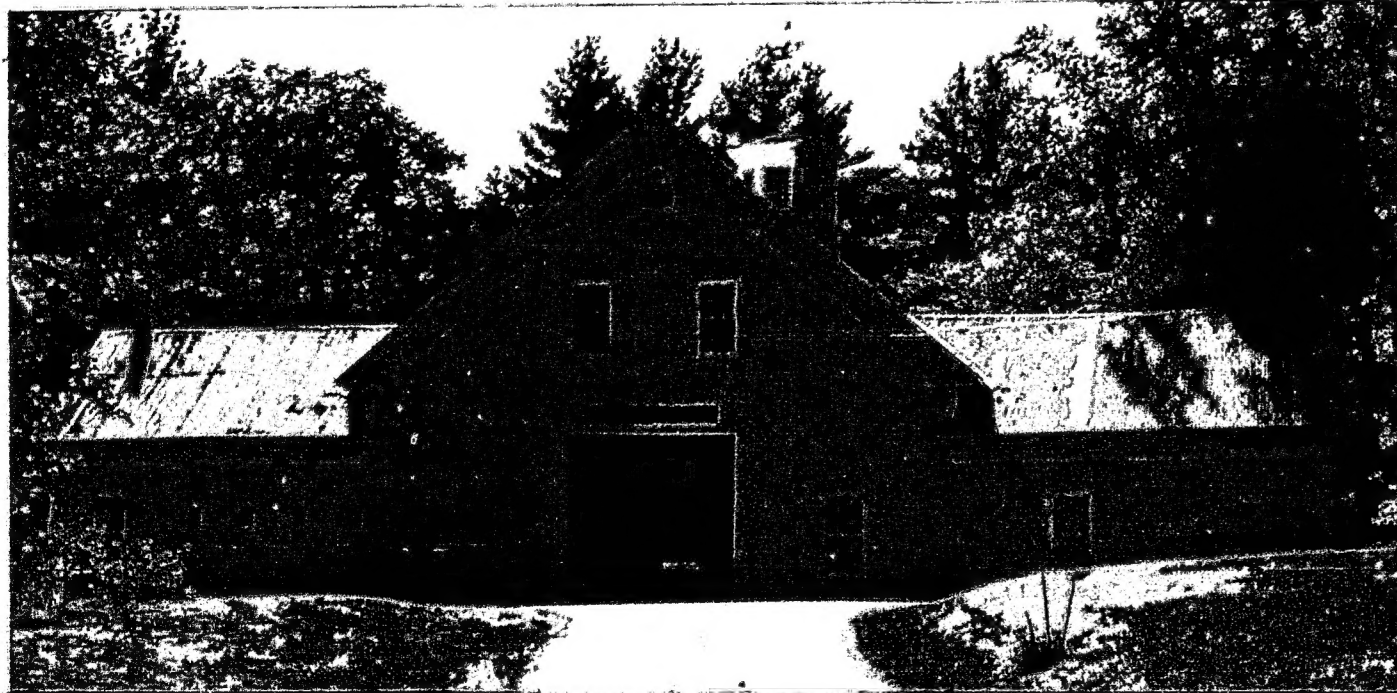
At their meeting Monday, the selectmen also voted unanimously to endorse an application by the chamber for a \$12,000 grant to study possible designs for an envisioned Outdoor Heritage and Recreation Center in Bethel.

And Monday's vote followed by a month the selectmen's endorsement of a \$45,000 grant application to study the feasibility of establishing such a center here.

That vote was a reversal of an earlier vote on the same grant.

When asked initially, in April, to provide a

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BARN TOUR SATURDAY

The Bethel Historical Society will again sponsor a tour of 10 historic barns located in Bethel and in the adjoining town of Rumford. Always a popular event, the barn tour is being held in conjunction with the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce's annual Harvest Fest, which will be centered on the Bethel Hill Common, in front of the society's two National Register properties. The self-guided tour will run from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and tickets, \$10, will be available at the society's Robinson House (10 Broad Street) beginning at 9 a.m. A map with photos and brief histories of each barn will be provided. Among the activities taking place that day will be cider-making in the circa 1820 Hastings Homestead barn at 18 Broad Street. William Weston's restored circa 1880 barn, between Rumford Point and Rumford Center villages (shown here), will also be open for tours.

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Letters

FIGHT THE OVERFLIGHT PLAN

To the Editor:

I, too, am tired of reading all the articles on the National Guard lowering the flight corridor for training in the western Maine area but for totally different reasons than Jane Ryerson's (letter to the editor, Sept. 10, 2009).

I have a son that was born with many disabilities, one of them being a seizure disorder. We as a family have tried to give him the best quality of life possible within the constraints of his disabilities, as any family would do. We have been quite successful in controlling his seizure activity with medications, but if we start having flights at 500 feet going over us (which scare him terribly) I'm pretty sure that success rate will end. I don't call that "Quality of Life!"

I have lived here my entire life too, so I was here in the '60s and '70s, and I am complaining. I don't feel the flights are necessary and would encourage our governor, senators and representatives to fight this.

Terry Howard
Albany Township

LURC COMP PLAN HEARINGS

To the Editor:

The Maine Land Use Regulation Commission looks to its Comprehensive Land Use Plan ("CLUP") as its primary policy and planning document for the 10.4 million acres under its jurisdiction, just as individual towns use their comprehensive plans to guide their planning boards and ordinance committees. The CLUP was first adopted in 1976 and revised in 1983 and 1997. Since 2005 the Commission has been holding workshops, panel discussions and public information gathering sessions and recently convened a series of working group sessions with landowners, developers, sporting campowners, recreationalists and members of the forest products industry, all in preparation for the drafting of a new version of the document to guide policy for the next ten years.

The Commission has now scheduled a series of formal public hearings to take oral testimony on the draft document from interested members of the public. The hearings will be held in the following locations: Monday, Sept. 28, at the Senator Inn in Augusta; Tuesday, Sept. 29, at the Ramada Inn in Bangor; and Wednesday, Sept. 30, at the Presque Isle Inn and Convention Center in Presque Isle. At each location testimony will be taken from 1 to 4:30 p.m. and from 6 to 10 p.m. In addition, written testimony on the draft plan may be submitted to LURC@maine.gov (indicate "CLUP" in the subject line) or sent to Maine Land Use Regulation Commission, 22 State House Station, Augusta, ME 04333-0022 anytime between Sept. 9 and Oct. 21.

All information related to the CLUP revision process including the draft plan itself can be found on the Web at www.maine.gov/doc/lurc/reference/cluprev/PublicHearings/september_public_hearings. I encourage anyone who has any interest in the one-half of the state of Maine included in the LURC jurisdiction to visit the site and to consider attending the hearings or filing written comments.

Steve Wight
LURC Commissioner

SHOP FOR A CAUSE DAY

To the Editor:

Since 2006, Macy's has celebrated a National Day of Support for local nonprofit organizations through its Shop For A Cause Day, raising more than \$28 million in ongoing charitable efforts. This year Macy's accepted my request to help in my efforts to generate contributions to the National Meningitis Association and I am seeking the help of your readership as I promote this worthy cause.

Shop For A Cause Day allows the public the opportunity to help MNA by purchasing a \$5 Shopping Pass for exclusive savings and special offers in every Macy's store on Saturday, Oct. 17. As a participating charity we keep 100 percent of the proceeds from the sale of each pass.

Purchasers of this pass have the opportunity to participate in a unique shopping experience including discounts, entertainment, special events, and can enter to win a \$500 Macy's Gift Card. While you're out enjoying a day of shopping and great savings, you are also helping a great cause. In addition, it provides an outlet to share our message about the dangers of meningococcal meningitis and the importance of vaccination.

The following businesses have graciously agreed to have passes available for sale: Brooks Bros., Inc., Twenty two Broad Street, Jades Salon, Ruthie's, Mouse and Bean, and Pleasant River Motel. Remember by your support in purchasing a pass for \$5, MNA will be able to continue its outreach efforts in sharing this important message.

Jeri Brooks Greenwell
Bethel

STILL TIME ON QUILT RAFFLE

To the Editor:

There is still time to buy a quilt raffle ticket which benefits the Bethel Library. The drawing will be at 3:30 p.m. on the Common during the Harvest Fest, Sept. 19. Enjoy the Fest, purchase one or more tickets, and win the beautiful quilt which the Cross Country Quilters have again made and donated to the Library. Their labor and generosity are truly appreciated.

Caroline Gould and Lucia Schwarz
Co-chairmen, Library Quilt Raffle

Lindsay

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around their horse farm. And after a couple of months, they took her on a competitive ride.

"I loved it," said Lindsay. At 14, she came to live with the Korhonsens, giving her a chance to ride regularly with Kathy and Tom.

It's paid off. Lindsay has become a very good endurance rider, placing third in a 75-mile competition this summer in Indiana that drew 18 top riders from around the U.S.

"We knew she was competitive," said Kathy. "She's naturally athletic, and not afraid to go the distances."

The distances can range from 50 to 100 miles for a day's competition. Depending on the location, the terrain can be flat, hilly or a combination.

Lindsay, who alternates between two horses, Nik and Luke, likes the bond that develops between horse and rider during the marathon event.

"You're riding a lot longer, and you're both working to get through it," she said.

In addition to the terrain, the weather can also be a challenge.

A ride in Vermont featured rain. "Buckets," said Lindsay. "and lightning and thunder. You just have to keep riding."

The 100-mile ride in Vermont is one of the toughest in the United States, Kathy said. Lindsay not only completed it, she also finished in the top 10.

In the past year Lindsay has logged almost 1,000 miles on competition rides. She placed seventh in the Vermont race and fourth in a 50-mile Georgia competition. The Georgia finish qualified her for the Young Riders Championship in Indiana.

Lindsay has also begun competing in events that include international riders, and she and Kathy are setting goals for the future, possibly including the World Equestrian Championships in 2014.

Kathy praises Lindsay's continued dedication, even as the young woman's life gets busier with other commitments.



LINDSAY AND NIK—Lindsay Bean with Nik, one of her trail-riding horses. There are many safeguards in place to ensure the well-being of the horses during a competition. A sensor is placed under the saddle that lets the rider know the animal's pulse rate. If it gets too high for too long, the rider has to back off or even drop out. There are also "hold" locations along the trail where the horses are rested and veterinarians check their status. (Photo: A. Aloisio)

"Often [young riders] get to a certain age and they want to do other things," Kathy said.

Not Lindsay. "Somehow I'll still make time to ride, because I like it that much," she said.

Despite attending college, she still drives back to Bethel several times a week to train.

Mutual benefit

While Lindsay expresses her gratitude to Kathy and Tom for sharing their horses and expertise, Tom said the benefit goes both ways.

BWD

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Bethel, where 111 watershed acres are located.)

For that amount of today's money, said Crockett, "it's not worth moving your [logging] equipment up there."

And for the healthy management of the forest, said BWD trustee Mike Broderick, "we should be harvesting more than we have been. We're not properly harvesting those stands."

Modify the trust?

The BWD board is now seeking to modify the trust to allow expanded harvesting consistent with modern, state recommended guidelines.

The additional revenue would provide relief in water rates and otherwise benefit customers, Broderick said.

For example, he said, funds might be put toward upgrading the water system in West Bethel.

Rough estimates by the board put the BWD's share in a new system there at approximately \$20,000 a year.

Estimates for income from a modern tree harvesting plan for the watershed are projected to amount to about that much money annually, said Broderick.

He also said the district would like to create recreational trails (primarily hiking and snowmobile) on the parcel, as well as maintain Chapman Brook as an emergency source of water.

Trustees also wish to clarify a long-standing lease arrangement with Sunday River Ski Resort for an 8.5-acre parcel used by the skiway at the top of the watershed.

But making legal modifications to the trust, said Crockett, requires the involvement of the Maine Attorney General's office.

State's role

The state might potentially play another role as well. The end of the deed concludes: "Provided, however, that if

said tract of land shall ever be abandoned as a source of such water supply or cease to be used as such, then in such case, the title to said land shall pass in fee simple to the State of Maine to be by it forever held, maintained and managed as a public game preserve, bird or game sanctuary, public park or State Forest reserve as said State may determine, and under such conditions as said State may prescribe and designate; and in such case the said Bethel Water Company, its successors or assigns, shall execute all necessary instruments of conveyance to give title to said tract to said State of Maine."

With these concerns in mind, trustees voted this summer to discuss their options with the state, and they arranged to have Crockett help research the question at the state level.

Crockett said he has spoken with the AG's office as well as the Department of Conservation regarding modifications to the trust and the role of the state, but "nothing has been concluded."

But there seems to be a common theme. "Everyone wants to keep the land conserved. No one wants it developed," he said.

Care must be taken, he said, to preserve Bingham's intent.

Crockett also said it is his understanding from the AG's office that preservation of the watershed as a backup water supply should still qualify it for the use prescribed in the deed.

But the BWD must also wait for word from the Maine Drinking Water Program on whether the watershed could safely serve as an emergency source.

If Maine were to receive title to the land, said Crockett, the state could cut the wood and get the revenue, and Newry would lose out on the tax

money.

Broderick said that after the flood in 2007 Gov. John Baldacci told him the state does not want [the property], and "they don't want to remove it from local tax revenues."

Next steps

At the regular meeting of the BWD Tuesday, Crockett and trustees discussed their next moves.

Crockett said he would plan to meet on the issue with Baldacci, who, he said, has the authority to accept or refuse gifts to the state.

And on the authority of a vote by trustees, Crockett will also prepare a potential "placeholder" bill for the next session of the Legislature that could aid in settling the trust issue, "should it become necessary," they said.

The board also plans to set up meetings with other interested parties, such as the Mahoosuc Land Trust, the Bethel Conservation Commission and Newry selectmen, to get their input.

Crockett noted the deed only allows two options for ownership of the land: the BWD or the state.

Board Chairman Brent Angevine summed up the trustees' goal: "We want to bring this trust into the 21st century, take care of the land and make it continue to work for the community," he said.

Grant application

The board also decided Tuesday to start an application process for a Rural Development grant to help fund an upgrade to the West Bethel portion of the water system.

Angevine said the public is welcome at the board's monthly meetings, held on the third Tuesday of each month at the Town Office at 7 p.m.

For information on BWD history go to www.thebetheljournals.info/Bethel%20water%20system.htm.

Our Back Pages

Compiled by Danna Brown Nickerson

10 years ago: The scarecrows at the Bethel Animal Hospital took first place in the Harvest Fest scarecrow contest.

Fire and rescue volunteers spent several hours battling a silo fire at Gilbert Mahu-facturing in Locke Mills, and were called back the next day to battle the stubborn blaze again.

The rush of water from the opening of the dam in Shelburne, coupled with more than seven inches of rain dumped on the area by Hurricane Floyd caused flooding which necessitated the evacuation of the Bethel Outdoor Adventure campground.

Births: Caleb Anthony Merrill, Skylar Lyn Bouchard, Tyler Ace Hall, Mason James Corriveau, Ethan Lucas Hoyt, Jaime Lynn Merrill.

Deaths: Theo M. Smith, Lawrence P. Wyman, Jr., John F. Yates.

20 years ago: Organizers of the Maine Lung Association's first Mountain Bike Ride said about \$2,000 was raised by the 15 participants.

Bethel's new police chief, Brian Stowell, was hoping, with the help of concerned parents, to establish a Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) program in Bethel.

Birth: Allyson Renee Ben-nett.

Deaths: Fred S. Stearns, George Gardner.

30 years ago: Pleasant Valley Grange's Harvest Fair was a great success.

The Town of Gilead had recently purchased a new '66-passenger school bus. Freda Gaudreau was the Gilead bus driver.

High winds, heavy rains and falling trees left Andover without electrical power for a number of hours.

Birth: Doreen Elaine Morin.

Deaths: Mrs. Cora G. Bennett, George H. Brown, Arthur L. Bonney.

40 years ago: A public camping demonstration by Boy Scouts of the Rangeley District was held on the Bethel Common.

Births: Dennis Frank Willard, Tanya Florence Howe, Anne Marie Penner, Judith Erin Hamel, Scott Alvin Stevens.

50 years ago: The former residence of Harlan Hutchins on Clark Street was purchased by Fenton Robertson and moved to Paradise Road.

Fires destroyed the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cleve Watphouse on Grover Hill Road, and the barn and a shed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Estes Yates at North Bethel.

Timothy A. Carter, Robert C. Felt, and Michael S. Stowell were enrolled in the freshman class at the University of Maine.

Births: Brenda Ann and Brian Drew Caillouet.

Deaths: Mrs. Ida P. York, George L. Haines, Mrs. Mary Greig, Chester A. Ladd, Rodney T. Grover.

60 years ago: Arrangements were made by the Bethel Village Corporation assessors for a dumping site at the gravel pit of Leon Millett near the Songo Pond road.

Deaths: Ernest H. Morrill, Mrs. Marie Dustin.

70 years ago: Fourteen Boy Scouts enjoyed a weekend camping trip on Tumbledown Mountain in Weld.

The Bethel Restaurant was opened after the building was modernized and equipped with new furnishings.

Death: Mrs. Mildred Goddard.

80 years ago: A reception was given Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Cushing at Pleasant Valley Grange Hall in West Bethel.

Christie's Inn, formerly Dudley Cottage, near North Pond, Woodstock, was burned.

90 years ago: W.S. Wight was organizing singing classes in Andover and Rumford for the fall months before going to Eastport, Calais and Lubec for the same work.

A new popcorn and peanut-roasting machine was installed in the G. L. Thurston Co. store.

100 years ago: The Bethel corn shop opened for business this week.

110 years ago: F.J. Tyler moved into the new house recently purchased by him.

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letter of support for the \$45,000 grant, the selectmen opted 3-1 to take no action.

Chamber Executive Director Robin Zinchuk did not attend the April meeting.

"I had absolutely no idea it would be on the agenda," she said Monday. "Otherwise I would have been here."

Her presence appeared to make the difference for the second (August) vote, prior to which she assured the selectmen that no tax dollars were involved (the funds would come from the sale of loon license plates) and that a vote of support from the board committed the town to nothing.

"If and when we get the grant it doesn't predetermine any outcome," she said, other than how the process would unfold.

"The Androscoggin Valley

Council of Governments, which has a planning staff, would go through a process of interviewing other non-profits in the area. We would look at available lots to potentially site a gateway heritage and recreation center. "Visitor center" is how I term it."

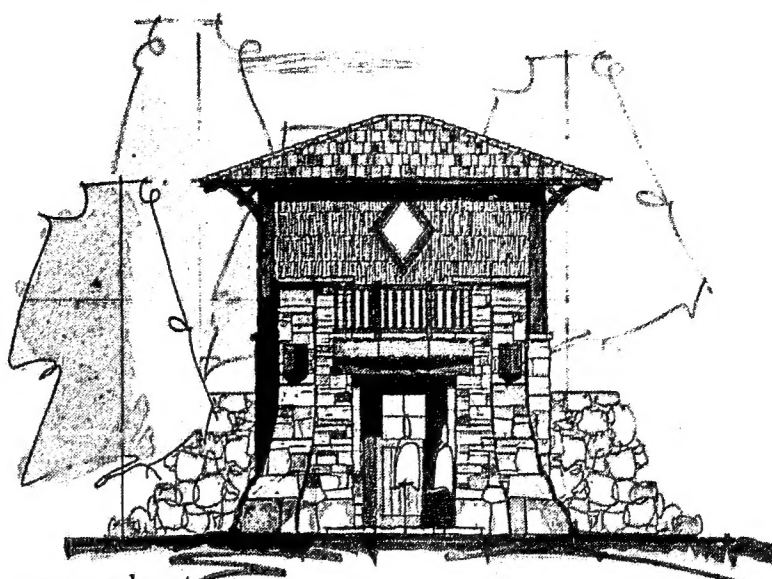
Following brief discussion last month, the resubmitted request was unanimously approved.

Regarding the second, smaller grant endorsed by the selectmen Monday, Zinchuk termed it "A good supplement to the last grant request you were willing to write a letter of support on."

The smaller grant, she said, would be "to get the businesses on board for the inside."

And to come up with a design that "takes on the spirit and personality of our community and its businesses."

MAKE MERRILL HILL YOUR TURNING POINT



moss creek.net

Located on Morganite Way on the road to Sunday River Golf Club and the Jordan Grand is the Gatehouse entrance to Merrill Hill Estates. The general architectural theme and style is best described for this neighborhood as a mix between the Grand National Park Lodges "Parkitecture" and smaller scale Adirondack Camps and New England Cottages of the Eastern U.S. Every frontier has a leader and already these "hybrid" mixed media designs are blending with the natural elements on Morganite Way. Call to see how you can take advantage of a very limited Developer 2009 Closeout on The Discovery Collection on Morganite.

Roadwork continued through the Winter and Spring, underground utilities are in place and the Gatehouse is nearing completion. Merrill Hill Estates is now offering Developer Financing on a limited number of mountainside homesites with slope and Mahoosuc vistas to qualified buyers. This is your invitation to start planning your dream home. If you would like to jump start the process our number one Preferred Builder, Mountain Homes of the West has a luxury hybrid with emphasis on green building far enough along that if you act now you could be involved with custom interior finishes. Nestled in the heart of Sunday River this is your opportunity to find peace and pleasure in a gated neighborhood on 460 acres committed to nature and world-class amenities at every turn.

Merrill Hill Estates sets the standards for Natural Elegance in the Heart of Sunday River with an environment so precious the streets are named for gemstones found in the region. Merrill Hill is the Crown Jewel of Sunday River. Call today for information on The Discovery Collection 2-10 Acre Homesites with 100 Acres of Recreation and Fitness Area. 941-356-6225 info@merrillhillestates.com or visit our new website at www.merrillhillestates.com

Cuts

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been able to add money to the food-services account to offset increased costs.

"We've fallen deeper in the hole," he said.

Telstar addition vote set
Directors also set a date of Nov. 3 for a referendum vote on a proposed \$5 million addition to the Telstar complex.

The addition would include a new gymnasium and theater.

A public hearing will take place Oct. 26.

The School Board is not taking a stand on the issue.

Laptop sale, Phase 2
Murphy reported to directors that a total of 173 used laptop computers have been purchased through SAD44's program to offer them to staff

and the public.

The computers were obtained from the state. Maine provides laptops to students in upper grades. After a few years of use, they are returned to the state and new ones are issued. Murphy received permission to purchase some of the used computers for resale locally.

Phase 2 of the SAD44 program will go into effect beginning Monday, said Murphy. At that time Macs and I-books will be available to anyone interested, but will still be limited to three to a family.

Approximately 75 to 100 computers are left.

For more information, go to www.sad44.org.

Briefly

SAD44 seasonal flu shot dates

BETHEL—Dates for seasonal flu clinics at some SAD44 schools were announced Wednesday by district nurse Chris Cole: Andover Elementary School, Tuesday morning, Sept. 22; Woodstock Elementary School, Thursday morning, Sept. 24; CPS, Tuesday, Sept. 29. A date for the Telstar complex has not yet been determined. Cole said seasonal flu shots, provided at no charge, are recommended for youngsters to prevent them from being weakened by seasonal flu and therefore more susceptible to the H1N1 flu.

SAD44 facilities study group set

ANDOVER—The SAD44 School Board Monday established a 16-member Facilities Review Committee to study and make recommendations for the future use of all SAD44 buildings. Members include selectmen Dennis Doyon of Bethel, Keith Farrington of Andover, Steve Wight of Newry, Amy Chapman of Greenwood and Ron Deegan of Woodstock; community representatives Virgil Conkright of Newry and Charlie Newell of Greenwood; and SAD44 Facilities Committee members Lainey Cross of Bethel, Erin Collins of Greenwood, Tim Akers of Andover, Bill Brown of Newry and Sheryl Morgan of Woodstock. Openings are still available to community representatives for Andover, Woodstock and Bethel. Anyone interested may contact the superintendent's office.

Home saved when garage burns

WOODSTOCK—Fire crews prevented a garage fire from spreading to the home late Friday night by spraying foam on the house. The fire, on Rumford Ave., was believed to be accidental, Woodstock Fire Chief Jeff Inman said. Firefighters from Bethel and Greenwood also responded to the blaze.

Murder trial underway

PARIS—Testimony has gotten under way in the murder trial of a 23-year-old Windham man charged with killing a former employer in western Maine and attempting to make the death look like an accident. Testimony began Tuesday in Oxford County Superior Court in the trial of Agostino Samson, who is charged with killing 23-year-old Scott Libby, a landscaper from Raymond, by strangling him and beating him with a cast-iron frying pan. Police say Samson tried to make Libby's death look like an accident by putting him in his car and placing it on railroad tracks in Bethel, where it was struck by a slow-moving train at about 2:45 a.m. on Feb. 20. Jury selection was completed Monday.

Patch photos appear in magazine

WOODSTOCK—Photos by Bryant Pond artist Arla Patch appear in a new photography magazine. The new Color Magazine (established by Black and White Photography magazine) ran a worldwide competition for color photographers. Nine hundred portfolios were submitted, and 69 were selected for Merit Awards. Patch's portfolio was one. Three of her photos are reproduced in the new issue.

Acadia park visitation rises

BAR HARBOR—The estimated number of visitors at Acadia National Park has risen this summer, thanks largely to an improvement in the weather late in the season. The Maine park's officials said more than 1.5 million people visited Acadia, a 3 percent increase over the park's totals through August 2008. The Bangor Daily News says that for the month of August alone, visits were nearly 14 percent higher than for the same month last year. Through the end of July, visits to Acadia were down by 2.5 percent from the same period last year.

CORRECTION

CRAFT FAIR OCT. 17—A letter to the Editor in last week's Citizen should have said the Woodstock PTA's Craft Fair will take place Saturday, Oct. 17 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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Ice Rink

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several years prior to 2004, when the town Recreation Committee, which did the heavy lifting to keep the rink operating through the winter — including hauling stiff, wet fire hoses, late at night in sub-zero temperatures — threw in the towel.

Long-time Rec Committee member Alberta Merrill told the selectmen at the time that the job had just grown too time-consuming.

"It's a major commitment for the months of December, January and February — hours and hours and hours," she said.

"And you're often up there before 5 o'clock in the morning," she said, as well as several other times a day, often two and three days a week.

In accepting the committee's 2004 decision, the selectmen said they hoped other volunteers would step forward to haul the hoses and shovel the snow, but no one did, and the rink became an amenity of the past.

But at Monday's selectmen's meeting, the idea of a rink was back on the table.

Zinchuk told the selectmen that the chamber, Sysko, an engineer, and Jim Bennett had come up with three possible locations for a rink, all in Bethel Station (see plan).

The locations included the narrow detention-pond parcel (already town owned) between the Parkway and the Androscoggin River, the larger (7.15-acre) parcel facing Route 26, and a 4.1-acre parcel located between the Western Maine Supply lot and Lincoln Street.

Where Olympia melted
All the lots have plusses and minuses as a potential ice-rink site, but on balance the third, Parcel F (a.k.a. "the Snow Woman lot"), appeared to be the consensus favorite.

Not only is it large enough to accommodate several Winter-Fest uses (a planned 200-foot-by-200-foot snow maze being one of them), Zinchuk said, "It has the advantage of being surrounded by existing lighting so that night skating is more viable. There is also a water-hydrant proximal to this lot. Parking options are goods in this location.

But there is also a downside, she noted, which is that Parcel

F is not town owned "and we may not have access to it long-term."

Still, said Selectman Dennis Doyon, "I think the concept is great, and in reality Parcel F is the one."

Jack Cross agreed. "I don't see how you can talk about any other lot but F. That's the only lot that makes sense at all."

The selectmen ultimately voted unanimously to endorse the proposal, pending approval from the Bethel Water District (which will provide the water) and the completion of suitable insurance arrangements covering all parties concerned.

But Selectman Don Bennett cautioned that for the project to be a long-term success "somebody's got to stand out there at zero degrees and put the water out."

Doyon agreed. "Let's see if the volunteers last the first year," he said, "and who's going to be committed to it after that."

Not its first move

If the village skating rink does reappear, but in Bethel Station, it will only be its most recent move.

Stan Howe, chairman of the Board of Selectmen and executive director of the Bethel Historical Society provides the following sketch:

"It looks like the earliest skating location so far identified was behind the mill dam on Mill Brook (now part of the Bethel Inn Golf Course), used at least from 1900 on.

"Later the area at the base of Paradise on the right hand side where the Gross family once lived was used from the 1930s until Crescent Park School was built in 1951.

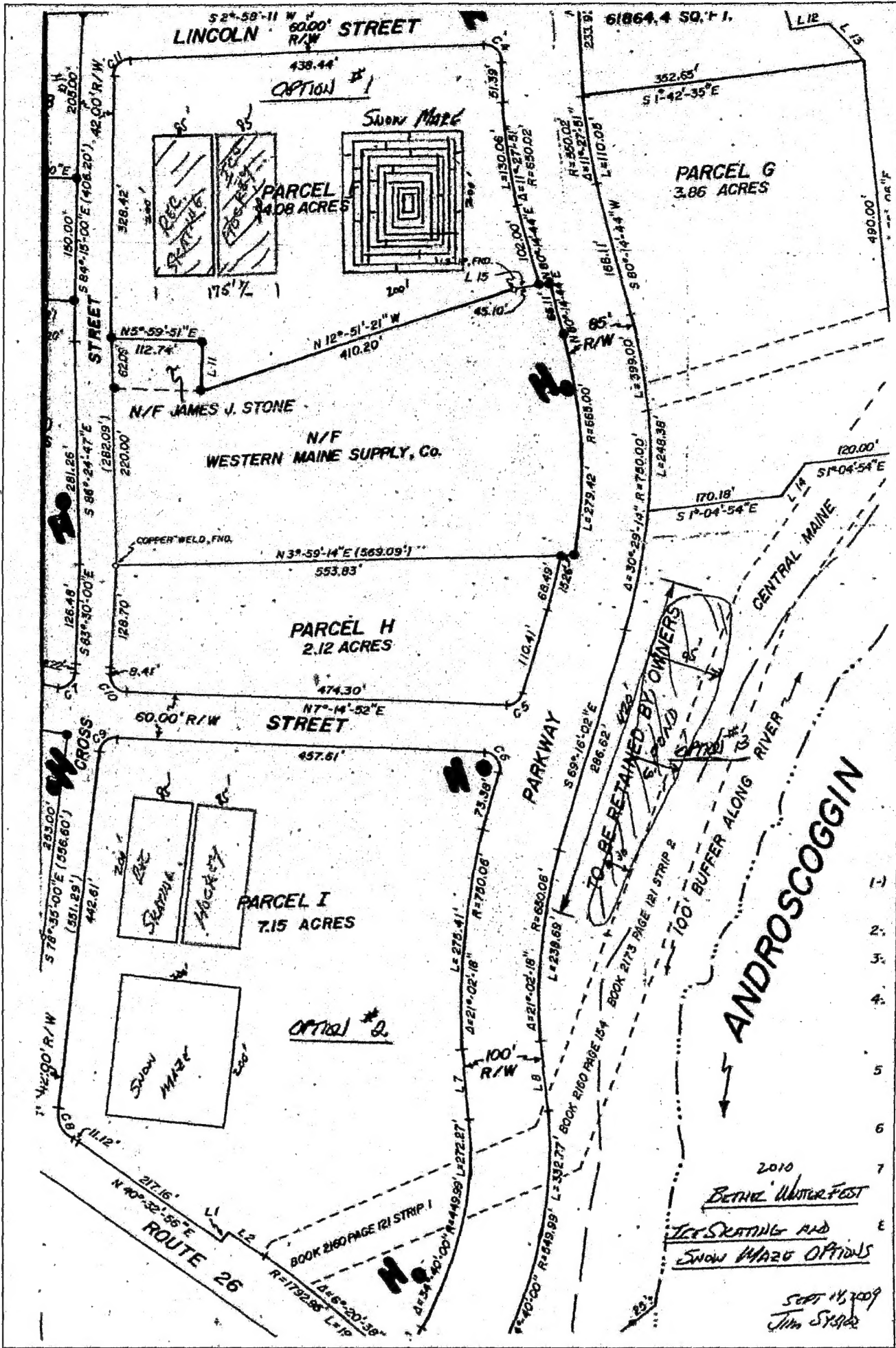
"In the late 1950s, I recall there was a skating area on the right just below the school.

"That continued into the 1970s until the 1980s when the town common was the location for many years.

"It has only been the last few years that no one volunteered to maintain it that that location was not used."

The Paradise Road location also boasted another amenity, Howe said — one which still kindles a warm glow in the hearts of some residents of a certain generation.

"It had a warming shed," he said, declining to elaborate.



ICE-RINK OPTIONS
Engineer Jim Sysko has roughed out three possible locations for an ice rink (including both an area for free skating and for hockey) in Bethel Station. The Bethel Board of Selectmen favor Option 1 (upper left). A snow maze is also being planned for Winterfest 2010, but it will be open only during the festival, which is scheduled for Jan. 23-31.

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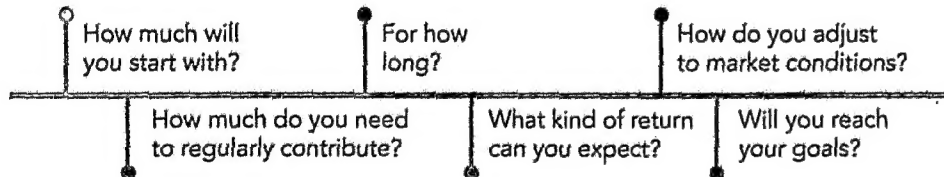
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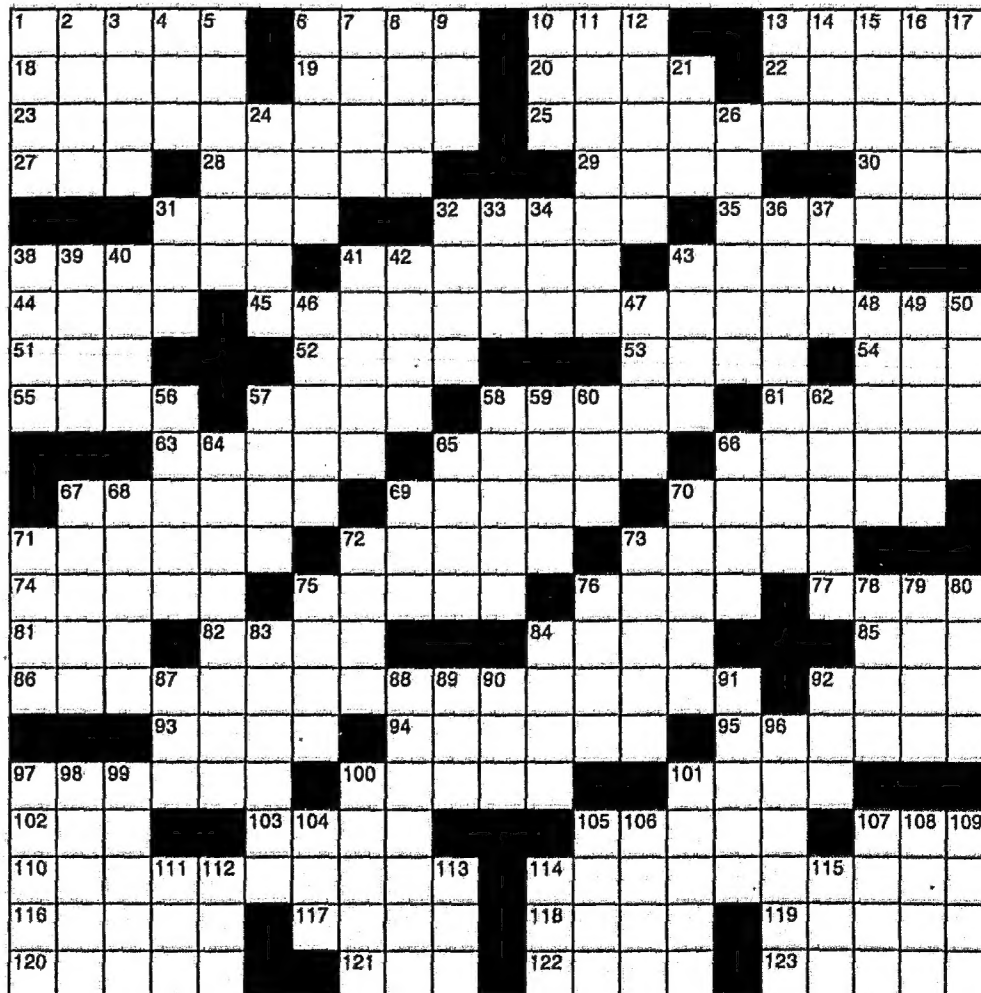
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From the Bethel Police Log:

Wednesday, Sept 16

At 7:14 a.m. Chief Alan Carr stopped a vehicle and issued a citation to Eric Calderwood of Richmond for operating an unregistered motor vehicle.

Monday, Sept 14

At 7 a.m. Chief Alan Carr took a report of items stolen from the site of a home construction.

At 10 p.m. Officer Jack Taylor received a report that a truck full of personal belongings and a vehicle were being withheld from the rightful owner. Case under investigation.

Friday, Sept. 11

At 11 p.m. Officer Jason Goff responded to Bryant Pond to assist a deputy with a burglar alarm. While enroute the officer learned there was a structure fire at the location. He assisted with scene management.

Thursday, Sept. 10

At 6:50 p.m. Sgt. S.R. White responded to Church Street for a report of a suspicious vehicle. There was no contact.

At 8:10 p.m. Sgt. S.R. White responded to a residence for a family dispute.

Wednesday, Sept. 9

At 9 a.m. Chief Alan Carr took a report that someone had driven over a gravestone in a cemetery on the North Road. A check showed the stone had been replaced. At 5:15 p.m. a witness reported she had seen a pickup truck in the cemetery and heard a crash as the truck turned around. The truck then left. The witness said she did not believe the incident was intentional.

At 1 p.m. Sgt. S.R. White responded to the West Bethel Road for a welfare check on a hitchhiker lying next to the road. The subject was wearing a winter coat in very warm weather. He was given a ride to a store for some water.

Tuesday, Sept. 8

At 2:45 p.m. Officer Mike Grenier issued a summons to Scott J. Hynek for passing a stopped school bus.

At 5:10 p.m. Sgt. S.R. White served protection from abuse paperwork on a subject.

Bethel



by Donald G. Bennett

Laptops at school — teachers, students and parents

On Wednesday, Sept. 16, the first of a series of "Laptop meetings" will be held at the Telstar Library for parents. Following these

orientations students will be eligible to receive their laptop computer. Nationwide the expansion of technology in the digital classroom has been recognized as vital to preparing students to confront today's workplace and is also a prerequisite for a successful voyage through years of higher education. Increased use of computers, the Internet, "cloud computing" and search engines will continue to revolutionize learning and workplaces as much as the initial arrival of PC's increased effi-

ciency and accuracy at work nearly 30 years ago.

At the orientations, a panel of THS staff will provide an outline of technology topics, laptop expectations and student use procedures as part of the implementation of the Maine Learning Technology Initiative (MLTI). This month the MLTI program expects to distribute 23,000 Macbook laptops to more than half of Maine high schools; distribution to seventh and eighth grades will bring the total of new computers deployed this fall to 67,000.

To explain the school district's history of introducing computer technology and the Internet to teachers and students, Superintendent David Murphy and Technology Coordinator Peter Kuzyk collaborated on the following article.

"Our experience with the Internet goes back to 1992 when we contacted IBM and asked if they would be interested in establishing a pilot program with a public school. When the 1993-1994 school year opened, the entire CPS population of 289 students plus staff had taken up residence (while construction took place at CPS) in the side parking lot at Telstar in what eventually became known as "The Village." With IBM's assistance, we set up 24 computers in four of our portable classrooms. These were connected to the Internet via an early token ring system. Our pilot program lasted the year and created great interest among all staff and students. We spent a great deal of time that year training all staff and the following year, when the new CPS building opened, we had 4-6 connected computers in every classroom, a computer lab, a plan for ongoing training for staff and e-mail addresses for all of our K-5 students that were used regularly.

Ronald Jenkins was the superintendent when the new CPS opened; he supported the computer program and training fully. These efforts would also have not been possible

without the efforts of Bethel Datafication Project, chaired by Dutch Dresser, which brought the availability of the Internet to the area during that time.

People from all over New England visited Crescent Park and several open houses were hosted to help demonstrate the impact that technology could have in schools. The next couple of years saw the technology spread to all of the schools throughout the district. Interestingly, many of the original CPS IBMs are still running and continue to be used in a second computer lab that has been set up in the school. We have certainly gotten our money's worth out of those computers and they still serve an important purpose because of the outstanding software they include. That's a bit of an introduction to our beginnings with the Internet."

Quilting Bee birthday celebration

Last Thursday, thirteen members of the Cross Country Quilters were having a grand time at a special quilting bee honoring Jan Hale's 80th birthday. Every Thursday afternoon the group meets at the Moses Mason House to work on their projects. On this day those in attendance were Ginger Kelly, Pat McCartney, Mabel Kennett, Karen Bean, Arlene Gauthier, Edleen Winslow, Dawn Giroux, Carol Nielsen, Lucy Nordahl, Jan Hale, Debbie Hayes, Barbara Honkala and Eliza Barnes.

Bethel Selectmen's Meeting
Monday night the selectmen met with a lengthy agenda for their only regular meeting in September.

Robin Zinchuk and Doug Webster discussed a possible layout for an ice-skating rink and separate hockey rink in the "giant snowman" lot next to Lincoln Street and just west of Western Maine Supply. This project would be part of Winterfest 2010, last two weekends in January. Along with skating, the planners have proposed a snow maze like the ones made from shrubbery that would be located where

the last snow woman was situated. The board approved the concept pending clearing any legal issues, permits and response by volunteers. Next step — get support from the Water District.

Robin also presented a request for a letter of support in requesting a grant to study and probably design a recreation/information center. The board agreed to provide a letter of support.

Other actions involved voting to accept a bid for paving eight different road jobs from Paradise, North Road to Middle Intervale. Bidding on winter sand was waived. Selectmen will help contact possible qualified residences who could aid in road standards committee. Agreed to discuss paying a section of the Taylor Smith Road if the home owners association makes a request in writing. There is a proposal to place deed restrictions on the land which lies between north side of Skateboard Park and the river. Scheduled a special Town Meeting on Oct. 5 at 6:30 p.m. for voting on grant agreements between the town and federal and state agencies for the purpose of ongoing capital improvements at the airport. This meeting will also have an article to vote on giving the board authority re the skateboard park buffer parcel deed restrictions noted above. Board voted to sign a pre-buy contract for heating oil this winter. They also agreed to certain steps in the town's procurement of vendor services — these services are of a dollar level below that which requires a bid. The town manager presented his first monthly financial report. An item of interest was that the excise tax receipts for the last month showed an increase over August 2008.

There is a map in the Town Office showing the placement of the new Mason Street sidewalk. It will run from Broad Street along the north side of Mason Street to a point opposite the intersection of Mason and Crescent streets. The sidewalk will continue from Mason Street along the west side of Crescent Street to the school grounds. It is planned to have this job done before winter sets in.

Middle Intervale Meeting-house

Middle Intervale Meeting-house Society held their annual meeting last Thursday. Officers and Trustee elected were as follows: president, Stephen Trent Seames; vice president, John R. Carter; treasurer, Pat Gunther Carter; secretary, June Abbott; directors: Mary Keniston, Allen Cressy, Lucy Nordahl.

Due to careful investment (locally) The Meetinghouse Society weathered the recent financial upheaval rather well. The Beckie Bailey Trust account gave a good return ensuring that the common and grounds of the Meetinghouse would be well cared for. The other operating, investment and Endowment funds, are solid. Regular business was transacted. It was noted that there is now electrification in a modest and unassuming manner making the Meetinghouse more desirable for weddings and evening events.

It was noted that nearly single handedly Lucy Nordahl has cared for the nice gardens this past year again. We thank her, Well Done! The quilt show was well attended and the ladies were very generous in their gift to the operating account. We thank

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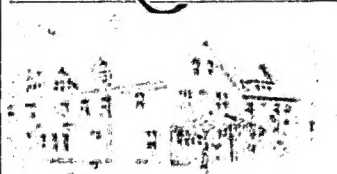
Please take notice that the Town of Newry, 422 Bear River Road, Newry, ME 04261, is intending to file a Natural Resources Protection Act permit application with the Maine Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to provisions of 38 M.R.S.A. 480-A through 480-B on or about September 30, 2009.

The application is for a bank stabilization project on the Bear River to protect the Black Cemetery from washing out. Location is as follows: Bear River across Route 26 from the Grange Hall and a hayfield, riverside.

A request for a public hearing or a request that the Board of Environmental Protection assume jurisdiction over this application must be received by the Department in writing, no later than 20 days after the application is found by the Department to be complete and is accepted for processing. A public hearing may or may not be held at the discretion of the Commissioner or Board of Environmental Protection. Public comment on the application will be accepted throughout the processing of the application.

The application will be filed for public inspection at the Department of Environmental Protection's office in Portland during normal working hours. A copy of the application may also be seen at the municipal offices in Newry, Maine.

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her, Well Done! The quilt show was well attended and the ladies were very generous in their gift to the operating account. We thank them for their hard work and for such a fine show. Some roof repair needs to be made and then some touch-up painting following. The society has had two new Life Memberships: Goodwin's Insurance (2008) and Lucy Nordahl (2009).

It is hoped that Christ Episcopal Church of Norway will again hold an Even Song service in October. Annual dues are now being received. Anyone interested in membership should call Steve Seames at 824-3393. Anyone may tour the meetinghouse by calling one of the officers.

Oxford County Democrats
Cathy Newell has reported on a number of the party's county activities recently — some in Bethel: The Oxford County Democrats have been working with the Change that Works Campaign on Health-care promoting House Meetings. Recent well-attended meetings have been held in Buckfield and Bethel. Several Democrats greeted the SEIU (Service Employees International Union) Ambulance Tour for Healthcare Reform in Rumford on Aug. 20. John Patrick, Cathy Newell, John Gould, and Jimmy McHugh were among the participants.

Bethel Masons Meet
Bethel Lodge AF&AM met last Thursday evening. Following a very nice dinner, the Lodge convened and Brother Dennis A. Wilson of West Greenwood was presented his 50-year membership pin and Wor. Jack Brooks, Bethel, was presented his 25-year pin. The brethren were very ably instructed by members of the Grand Lodge in a non-ritual school of instruction. The evening was most enjoyable and enlightening. Lodge meets on the Second Thursday of each month. Visiting brethren are welcome.

Bethel Inn News
About eighty people enjoyed the Moon Dance dinner cabaret entertainment at the

Inn on Sept. 5. The program featured a number of familiar songs from the '40s, '50s and '60s.

This past weekend saw the return for their 26th Anniversary of the Belmont Jockey Club of about 36 people for a golfing and relaxing weekend. The group's organizer now is Jack Rooney from Needham, Mass.

The Mancini Golf Group from the Portland area, with 40 men in the group, also came to enjoy a post Labor Day golf weekend. Anthony Mancini from Portland is the arranger for this group.

A wedding party of 86 and seven band members arrived in time for a rehearsal at the Bethel Gazebo on Friday, followed by a rehearsal dinner at the Sudbury Inn and the wedding on Saturday at the Gazebo. The bride was Erin Migausky from Somerville, Mass.

On Sunday an Elderhostel group with an enrollment of nine people from all over the country came to participate in "The Maine Experience" program. This group's organizer works from Boston.

Other guests included William Quinlan from Middleboro, Mass., and Ronald Graveline from Cumberland, R.I.

The Jan 25 1917 edition of The Citizen — Bethel Inn News: "Saturday afternoon the guests of the Inn joined local people in a game of hockey. A very lively game was reported."

West Bethel



by Lorrie Hoeh

Fall is definitely on the way, judging by the tarnished look of roadside vegetation. Moreover, we've seen flickers doing their fall "anting" thing, and the fall web-worms are very much in evidence on the wild cherry trees and the gray birches. Here and there a red maple (also called "swamp

maple") is putting on its scarlet coat in recognition of the changing seasons.

We've had a couple of very chilly nights, prompting a fire in the small woodstove two or three times. On Monday morning I saw a mess of moose tracks on the Forest road. I guess they're getting ready for the rutting season.

Yet another sign of impending cooler weather was the annual picnic of the West Bethel Union Church. It was held on Sunday at the North Norway farm of the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. John Williams. Everyone brought potluck, and the hosts provided the rest. Most of the congregation attended. I hear that the children present especially enjoyed meeting the seven sheep who live on the farm. They were shown the Shetlands, which are small and raised primarily for their soft, warm wool, as well as some larger lambs, which may or may not be destined for someone's cook-pot.

Between last week and this, I picked up 40 cents worth of returnables and one non-returnable beer can, which went into the recycle bin. Again I ask, if you can carry it in full, what's so hard about carrying it out empty?

The Grange has had two displays at the Oxford County Fair this week, one agricultural and one domestic.

Judging was done last Saturday, but as of press time, no one had yet heard the results. So Grange members are waiting with bated breath to know how their exhibits fared.

Some of the members of the local spinning group, yours truly included, were at the fair on Wednesday from 9 to 1 demonstrating our craft for Agricultural Education Day. There are always lots of schoolchildren with their teachers and chaperones, so it is an enjoyable day for us, and we hope, for them as well.

Our two college grandchildren are both at their respective campuses. Elisabeth Stancioff is

a sophomore at Brown University. Owen Griffin is a freshman at UMass/Amherst. We hear tell that both are having a good time. I hope that they're also finding time to crack the books!

We froze the end of the early corn crop last week and are hoping for some of the later crop to be ready this week, if the frost doesn't get it. Brussels sprouts are ready for us to start picking. They are so sweet and tasty, so much better than the store-bought ones. We also have a late crop of beans that may or may not survive the early frosts. We'll have to be vigilant and cover them with Reemay at night.

Hope you're enjoying the fine sunshine. Stay well and be in touch: dhoe@megalink.net or 836-3011.

Upton



by Laurie Brown

Since the auction on Saturday wasn't well attended, the Ladies Aid members decided to postpone it until the hunter's supper in November. There were several generous donations for service to be auctioned off. For those of you who didn't make a donation, but wanted to, it'll give you time! Prior to the event, I'll list all of them.

A beagle, bitten by coyotes who were chasing him, arrived at the doorstep of a camp owner on the north end of Back Street. The dog had no collar or identification, but will be okay.

All three members of the board of selectmen, Kenny Gibbons, Jim Rector and I were at the selectmen meeting Tuesday night. Selectmen voted to have the chimney repaired at the town office, discussed purchases and repairs needed for town vehicles, accepted the warrants as written, and the excellent ditching job Pete Eames finished on East B. There were two requests for tax abatements and for landowners to have their lots combined into one. The dump will be opening at 8 a.m. on Sundays. The next meeting will be held on Oct. 7.

Wilma Rector will be working with area schools to administer the HIM1 vaccines. She has composed an informative article, which includes a request for volunteers. Please watch for it in next week's column and/or in The Citizen's letters to the

editor.

The Stateline Snowmobile Club held their meeting, as pre-established, on Aug. 1, the first Saturday of the month. The club's president, Dennis Casco wasn't present. Vice President Joe Bernier missed his first meeting of the year that night as well. Vague minutes of that meeting were entered very recently on the club's website. For reasons unbeknownst to me, the date of the next meeting was scheduled for Sept. 12, the second Saturday of the month. As of Monday, there are no updated minutes of that meeting on their website.

There were approximately 14-16 members present. Election of officers was held, and neither the president nor the vice-president, both of whom were unaware that the date had been changed, were present. According to the club's by-laws, the president or vice president is to preside over meetings. (There are no alternatives listed.) Special meetings can be called by the president at the written request of five members and the secretary is to issue written notice of the meeting to every member no less than 21 days. Written notice or telephone calls are required of Directors' meetings are to be given by the chairman or the secretary to each director at least five days in advance and there must be at least three directors present. (E-mail has been accepted as "written" for those who have the service. The website was not.) The president of the club is to serve as chairman and non-voting member of every directors' meeting. The by-laws state, "the annual meeting for the purpose of electing officers/directors shall be the 3rd Saturday of October."

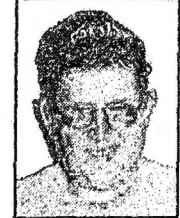
At the Sept. 12 meeting, it was decided to follow one of the by-laws which had been ignored at previous meetings. Nominations for officers must come from a director. Yet, several other stipulations and regulations written in the by-laws were ignored. Elected at this meeting were: Harold Hibbard, president; Stacey Otis, trailmaster; Doug Heald, vice president; and Doug Otis, secretary/treasurer. As a member of this club, I wish the new officers success. I hope that the plentiful words of appreciation and compliments from trail riders, throughout the week as well as on weekends that were received on the trails' conditions this past year continue. In the

past, local groomers listening to the weather's forecast and looking out their windows, knew when and were available to groom when necessary.

Last year selectmen of the town of Upton agreed to let the club use the school building mainly because town resident Joe Bernier was an officer of the club and agreed to be responsible for the building. I don't know if selectmen will continue this agreement now that no one in office is a resident of Upton. I don't know when the next scheduled meeting is, but would be happy to let you know if an officer of the club tells me, or, if the club updates their website prior to the meeting.

Have a wonderful week. I don't know about the rest of the state, but the leaves are getting rather colorful, and the nights a little chilly in Upton! Selah

Hanover



by Clem Worcester

The officers and trustees of Gardner Roberts Memorial Library

met Tuesday, Sept. 8, at the library. They discussed plans for the bake, book and yard sale scheduled for Oct. 10. Also talked about were plans to seek grant funds to better heat and insulate the library. Because of time constraints it was decided not to go ahead with the after-school "back pack" program that would have provided a study time for students on Thursdays. The project will probably be back on for next year.

Lynne Ramsey puts together beautiful bouquets of flowers, which she sells from a table on her front yard. Very generously for the past two years she has donated 50 cents from each sale to Gardner Roberts Memorial Library.

The environmental committee for the Howard Pond Preservation Association had a meeting at Gardner Roberts Memorial Library on Sept. 5. Discussed were issues of invasive plants and erosion. It was reported that at the present time there are no invasive plants in Howard Pond.

Sympathy is extended to Bob and Linda Marchildon upon the passing of Linda's mother, Mary F. Rocco, on

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Aug. 28 at the age of 93. She had resided at Clearwater, Fla., and Brighton, Mass.

The Maine State Planning Office has approved the proposed Town of Hanover Comprehensive plan. The next step will be a public hearing scheduled for 6 p.m. on Oct. 8 in the Hanover Town House at 12 Howard Pond Road. Over the past several years interested Hanover citizens including the Select Persons, Planning Board and others have worked to complete the guidelines for the next 10 years. Assisting was the Androscoggin Valley Council of Government's John Maloney. Funding for the project came from tax-generated funds to match a State of Maine grant.

Congratulations to local hunters who were successful in the Any Deer Lottery. In Hanover Mike Brown, Bob Moulton and Bill Worcester were listed as getting the permits as was Bill's son Daren of Hooksett, N.H. The Any Deer Permit allows the hunter to shoot a doe while other licensed hunters can only bag a buck.

A burial service took place at Hanover Cemetery Saturday afternoon for Lester Richardson Jr., 84, of Mexico. The funeral was in Rumford prior to the burial.

A wedding also occurred in Hanover last Saturday. Congratulations and best wishes to Kristen and Jason.

19 at 5 p.m. at the hall with baked beans, baked ham, salads, casseroles and dessert. Adults will be \$7 and under 13 will be \$3.

If you have any news, please give me a ring at 824-3350. God Bless our Troops.

Newry



by Sylvia Harrington
Rockie Graham of the Recycling Center gave me a summer squash that she and David grew. It was delicious and I certainly thank them. I cooked all of it with some left over to be reheated.

Sunday, I stopped at the Bear River Trading Post on my way home from Bethel. Doug told me that as of the 12th 46 bear had been tagged. The season ends on Nov. 28. Now with the cold mornings, stop by and get a Cameo fleece to keep comfortable with.

Norm Davis was at the BRTF and told me he had lots of pumpkins growing for next month's holiday.

I drove up to say hello to the Bartholomews. Bob was enjoying the last day of his vacation week. Brenda was painting the door to a room she is redoing upstairs. Her brother, Rick, was relaxing and enjoying the many rocks he has put around the area.

Then I drove up the Branch to see the bridge. It looks just about finished. Water had been left on wetting the cement, perhaps to keep it from drying too fast. That is a guess on my part, as I never have worked on a bridge.

Greenwood City



by Wayne Hakala
We had a delightful Bingo player on Wednesday

even. John Davis was present and right full of the devil. Wicked good to have you present John. We will welcome you anytime.

After the Bingo started I left to attend the Oxford County Regional Solid Waste Corp. meeting at Norway. The following towns were not represented and important business could not be conducted due to lack of a quorum. Bethel, Brownfield, Canton, Denmark, Gilead, Lincoln Plantation, Otisfield, Upton, and West Paris were not represented again! I do know that Angie from Lincoln Plantation is not getting out and about too much due to her husband's surgery earlier. And it is a rare event that Angie would miss as she is a very dedicated selectperson to Lincoln Plantation. The towns of Hanover,

Hebron, Livermore, Newry, Norway, Paris, Woodstock and Greenwood were proudly represented by the dedicated few.

I am convinced that these past few months have shown that you do not need to be smart to be in Washington. They need to "fix problems," not create larger ones. "Being elected does not mean you are competent to lead."

The past several mornings there have been flights of "honking" Canada Geese flying over. Anita was spitting about in not quite so nice thoughts Saturday morning. I informed her that the geese were in training for the flight south. They do take a number of flights to get ready. They must be of the like of services other than the Air Force. But then again, the geese make a lot of noise like the politicians in Washington.

Fall must be close by. The town sand shed is full, the swamp maples are turning color fast, the thermometer is hitting them low thirties and the apples are ripe. The Oxford County Fair is kicked off to some nice days and chilly ones for the middle of the week. The chimney is clean and we have been fighting the urge to light a small warming fire. Bet it is going to happen in the very near future.

Grandma Dorene told me last eve that her grandson Will played in a winning football game yesterday afternoon. Mountain Valley is having a championship caliber player coming up through the ranks. Plus is Will taking over the wrestling world too? Expect to see young Will Bean's name mentioned in the winning column very often in the upcoming years. Way to go Will!

Bryant Pond



by Alice Hoyt
The Woodstock-Greenwood Senior Citizens met at the Masonic Hall on

Sept. 3. A delicious dinner was served by the Star Birthday Club. It was voted not to have a nomination committee this year, to keep the same officers but instead of co-presidents, Norma Davis will be president. It was voted to go to Dick's in Mexico for dinner in October. A card was signed for Joan Morgan, who has had knee surgery.

Services at the Baptist Church are Sunday school at 9:15 a.m., morning worship at 10:30 a.m., evening service at 6 p.m. Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. is youth group and 6:30 is prayer meeting. Looking ahead to

Oct. 23-25 will be fall Bible Conference with Mr. Christ Stansell.

Franklin Grange 124 met on Monday evening for gentlemen's night starting with a supper at 6 p.m. Guests filled the officers' chairs and a nice program including music by Steve Seames playing piano, Richard Felt and Cack Bean was held. Next meeting is Installation of Officers on Sept. 21.

Franklin Grange put on the supper for the Republican meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 8, with a good turnout.

Historical Society

The Historical Society Museum is closed for the season but attend one of their meetings and look around. They meet the second Saturday of each month starting with a 6 p.m. potluck supper followed by meeting and program.

Larry Billings at last has a professional sign for his Cultural Center.

West Paris



by Joyce Lamb
Home at last. For the past three months I have been Camp Nurse at Ferry

Beach Conference Center in Saco where I had a private cabin and bath. For each meal I walked across the lawn and had a choice of several food items they served and left the dirty dishes and returned back to work. I could join whatever conferences that were being held. Most evenings there was entertainment for all. I spent a week with the "Aging to Sageing" group to earn credits to continue my work with Hospice.

The first part of the summer it rained most days. The temperature was moderate but comfortable. Rain or shine everyone seemed to enjoy the beach and swimming, volley ball, crafts, puzzles or conversation. This was the summer of injured big toes. Most ran around in flip flops and toes took a beating for all ages. I felt like Jesus washing the disciples' feet. All went away happy and no one had an infection. Many band aids were applied to various parts of bodies and medications for headaches were given, otherwise it was an uneventful summer. I spent more time reading than nursing. A healthcare professional had to be present on the campus at all times with so many people

present. I was on duty twenty-four hours a day six days a week and was even lonesome when no one came for care.

On Labor day I packed all of the supplies and put them in storage, then packed my car of all that I had moved down during the summer and drove the 72 miles home. A job well done, which was more like a vacation at the shore than work.

The summer has gone and the apples have ripened, so Beverly Stevens took Peg and Joe Perham and me when she went to Bisbee Orchards to "pick your own." We all got plenty to eat raw and also to make applesauce and pies and whatever apples can be mixed with. This is a fall ritual for many of us.

Oxford County Fair is now running for a full week. Again this year I am working at the information booth, near the entrance across from the racing track.

The West Paris Universalist Church is now open for the winter. On Sunday, Sept. 20, "Why I Came and Why I Stayed" will be the Rev. Richard Beal's topic at 9 a.m. Jim Burke is organist. A coffee hour follows. All are welcome.

Muffin was glad to have me home for she had spent the summer with the Walton's two cats at their home. She was a bit shy there at first but soon joined in with their running and playing games as two year olds will do. It was comforting for me to know she would get good care from two loving humans. They have been her foster parents when I am away ever since she came to live with me.

Locke Mills



by Lorraine Larson
Well, I finally found out where my news columns were

going that were supposed to end up in my Citizen news folder but never were there. They were going into a folder under "Save As" in my WordPad. It was strange how I found them, too, as I got disgusted and clicked several times on the "Save As" in

frustration when I found, for the umpteenth time, that the news document was not in my news folder, and much to my surprise up came all my news columns for the past two months. I didn't even know that such a place existed. I still don't know why they are going there or how to stop them but at least I know where they are. I guess one could call that progress!

I was sorry to see the Helena Bartlett place completely gutted from the fire last week. I suppose that will disappear eventually along with the old Crockett place. I am still trying to get adjusted to not seeing the big white house near the entrance to Andover Road not far from our church. Whoever cleaned it up after the fire did a great job but there went another piece of history. I suppose those old places were drafty and not very fuel-efficient but from my point of view, being the old-timer that I am, it is sad to see them go.

I was also sorry to see the obituary of Caroline Greene in last week's paper. I lived sort of across from them for many years and she was such a pleasant person to have as a neighbor. The Greenes were the kind of people "from away" that fit right into the neighborhood as if they had always lived there. Our sincere condolences go to Val and the rest of the family. She will be missed.

What lovely weather we are having, although I could stand it a "tad" warmer. We certainly are never satisfied are we?

I have been trying to stay awake all day as I did not sleep well last night so my body seems to think it would be nice to make up for it and sleep all day. It is disgusting! Nothing is more frustrating to be wide awake at 4 a.m., unless, of course, your day normally starts at that early hour, and then to fall asleep just when one is supposed to be getting up. I am naturally a night owl but I have been trying to get on a daylight schedule and doing that does not help. As the winter hours creep nearer the darkness comes early so it is necessary to be up during the daylight hours in order to get the vitamins and other benefits

East Bethel



by Nancy Mercer
Neil Olson reported he had the second largest crowd at this year's Trap-

per's Weekend in August.

Neil and Linda Olson's grandsons, Garrett and Griffith Aube, were players on the team that did not lose a game all season and won the District and State titles. Their other grandson, Connor, played in the baseball tournament at Cooperstown, N.Y. Neil and Linda watched baseball for a week there. There are 22 playing fields in Cooperstown and each is fitted with what a field needs to play ball. Connor's team came in 32nd out of 103 teams from all over the country.

Alder River Grange had a regular meeting on Sept. 11 with seven members present. Bert Bryant of Oxford Grange joined our Grange as an affiliate member. Next Sunday we will have two more members after they take their degrees at Sabbathday Lake Grange. The Health Care Plan was much discussed also.

East Bethel Church will have 2 p.m. services on Sept. 27, with Ben Conant doing the service.

Alder River Grange will have a public supper on Sept.

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from the sun, to say nothing of the fact that darkness does not help people such as I who suffer from depression. This summer has been not very cooperative in that we haven't had much of one. I know that there is suppose to be such a thing as global warming, as evidenced by the fact our polar ice caps have been melting, but one could not prove it by the summers we've had the past few years. Summer, straighten out and fly right already!

My week seems to be shaping up to be a busy one. Saturday, our church is celebrating its 25th anniversary. Former Pastor Rob Rainville is going to be our guest speaker and we have planned an afternoon of food and fun so that takes up Saturday and ordinarily our Sundays are quite busy. On Monday I have to go for blood tests before my annual physical on Friday.

My daughter and son-in-law, Jonathan and Marcia Smith from Easton are going to be spending a week's vacation in the area, visiting his brother and wife, Don and Jane Smith in Jay, and friends from their former church in Dryden, and plan to come see "her" folks one day during the week. She plans to come for a longer visit in October but Jon has not been down for some time due to his work. Now he is finally settled in to a job he likes and seems to like him and has built up some vacation time so he can get away for a bit. He is working

in management at a Veterans' Home in Caribou which is a far cry from being a psychiatric nurse which he was doing before. He enjoyed the people but not always the job and I am glad he has changed his line of work and I don't have to spell that big psych word any more, especially since I had to look it up each time so I would not make the big boo-boo I made once when I called him a psychopathic nurse!

Labor Day has come and gone and why it is called Labor Day is beyond me. It should be called Rest Day Before the Winter's Work Starts' Day but I guess that would be a bit long. Anyway, I hope everyone enjoyed the long weekend and had lots of cookouts and food and fun before the grind of the new school year and the fall season of preparing for winter gets going in earnest. Chalo!

Mason



by Richard Grover

Labor Day weekend, Mona, Snuffy and I went to Norm and Gail Weston's camp in Oquossoc for a weekend of fishing, fun and frolic. (Actually, we are all a little old for much frolic any more!) Norm and I let Gail and Mona win a few cribbage games, and then fished most of his favorite spots within a 25-mile radius. The fishing was great, but the catching wasn't so hot, but I did get in quite a bit of practice with my fly rod and a few new flies. We always have a good time when we're "camping" with Norm and Gail. At any rate, by the time we got home on Monday

afternoon, I was too tired to write for the Citizen.

Last week, Dan Grover helped me waterproof the roof over our living room, which had suffered some "dripage" due to ice jams in winter. We took off the steel roofing and its underlying tarpaper and then applied Ice And Water Shield over the whole area before putting the steel back on. I even touched up the rusty spots with Rust-o-leum. Over all, I found that my legs have aged considerably since the last time I was climbing up and down ladders and roofing.

Also, Matt Ludden shot a bear from his tree stand last week, his first. (The bear wasn't on the tree stand; Matt was!) Matt called Craig Ryerson for help with the skinning and cleaning. I'm told the bear weighed an estimated 150 pounds. Matt had been visiting his tree stand nearly every evening after work, since bear season opened on Sept. 1.

(More on August trip) We arrived at daughter Anita's home in Custer, S.D., on the afternoon of Aug. 13. Here, besides visiting Anita's family, husband Dan, 3-year-old Sierra and one-year-old Bryce, my goal was to replace their aging 4 foot by 20 foot deck along side their house. Dan was insistent on matching the deck railing on the front side of the house; trouble was, the railing material had come from Lowe's store in Rapid City some 20 years ago and was no longer available. As a result, we made three one-hundred-mile round trips to Rapid City before obtaining suitable materials from another source. A week later the results were quite satisfying, although much more expensive than anticipated. That composite recycled plastic deck material looks nice, but is pricey.

Little Sierra and Bryce are cute and happy kids who love the outdoors and are voracious fresh fruit eaters. Anita plans to have fresh fruit in season year 'round when available. It seems like Sierra is a bit mean to her little brother, often snatching his toys away from him, but he takes it good naturedly, for the most part. Sierra loves those little stickers that are meant to be applied to book pages, etc. But she sticks them everywhere, particularly all over her toys and Bryce's too. Bryce doesn't like them and immediately peels them off his stuff. One day I came in for a break from deck making while Anita was feeding Bryce in his high chair; Bryce's forehead was decorated with an arc of seven little round stickers applied by his big sister! Bryce was unaware of the decorations.

While at Custer, we arranged to meet with Craig and Jane Ryerson, who were traveling west with their three grandsons, Austin, Brent and Boston. We drove to the Mount Rushmore NM, arriving at about 10 a.m. Monday morning. They were all waiting for us and met us as we entered the arched entryway. It was a beautiful sunny day, and we opted to walk the trail through the woods and along the base of the mountains below the "famous faces." Washington, Jefferson, Lincoln and Teddy Roosevelt. We all enjoyed the hike and spent a short time in the gift shop area of the visitors' center. Afterward, we drove a short distance to a picnic area for a lunch that Jane and Craig provided. The boys were all model citizens throughout. After lunch we went to Custer State Park to see the wild buffalo there. We spent most of the afternoon driving nearly all the dirt

roads in the park before we stopped and asked a ranger where they were. He told us to try the one road we had not tried, and sure enough, we found a good size herd at the far end of that road. I drove close by a large bull by the edge of the road so Mona could get a close-up photo. Mona has a thing for buffalos!

Custer, S.D., is in the heart of the Black Hills tourist area, with the Crazy Horse Monument about five miles away and Mt. Rushmore National Monument around 15 miles. The Black Hills National Forest covers much of the wooded part of the area, and Custer State Park begins just outside the city of Custer. Wind Cave and Jewel Cave National Monuments are also within the national forest area, so there is much to see near Dan and Anita's home. Although I have been to the Black Hills on several occasions, we found one additional attraction that I had not seen before — the Cathedral Spires. These are impressive granite monoliths that reach several hundred feet into the sky. I first saw these while on a hike to Hearn Peak, highest mountain in South Dakota, with Anita and Dan. The spires are apparently very popular with rock climbers, as we watched several of them dangling from ropes among the granite spires. Although Hearn Peak is a little over 7,000 feet high, the seven mile hike (round trip) there is an easy one as the elevation change is only about 2,000 feet from the surrounding terrain. A beautiful picnic area, Sylvan Lake, is also near the Cathedral spires; this is a very scenic small lake surrounded by granite boulders and formations and cut by several easy hiking trails. The drive through this part of the forest is not for the faint of heart as the road is crooked and narrow, with two tunnels carved through granite hills, each wide enough for only one vehicle at a time (no trucks allowed, but we were surprised to encounter a mid-size tour bus as we exited one of the tunnels, whose walls barely missed touching the mirrors on my pickup). Overall, one can spend several days exploring the Black Hills area and not become bored.

Waterford



by Rockie Graham

Waterford The days are growing cooler while still

be mostly warm and sunny. Tasha and I can walk at any time of day because the sun is no longer too hot to be out.

Tasha continues to improve and walks better every day. I do not kid myself that this is probably only temporary, but she seems happy and content. We have noticed that she usually doesn't walk the kids home anymore; and she doesn't wait for the bus. We believe that is because Sadie isn't on it. She is in middle school now and leaves from her house in Norway. She does still try to chase Maya home when she comes into our garden. She still sees that as her job.

Today, Thursday the 17th, is David's birthday. Happy Birthday David. The family party got cancelled because Becky has the Swine Flu. That's right, she has the Swine Flu. It is here, now! We hope she gets better, soon.

Tonight, the 17th, there is also an ACA meeting at the Waterford Library. The meeting begins at 7 p.m. and runs until 8 p.m.

This Saturday, the 19th, in Norway, the Alan Day Community Garden will hold a community meeting. It is at the Norway Grange from 9:30 to 11 a.m. It is a time to brainstorm about the future of the Garden. The Garden is in memory of Alan Day. There will be small group discussions for visioning and planning the life of the garden. Healthy snacks will be provided. FMI contact Ken at 890-6102 or seal at sealrossignol@hotmail.com.

Also happening on the 19th: Bethel's Annual Harvest Festival and Chowdah Cook-off. There will be horse rides by Deepwood Farms, entertainment, and a self-guided barn tour from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., plus gondola rides at Sunday River.

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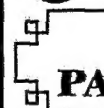
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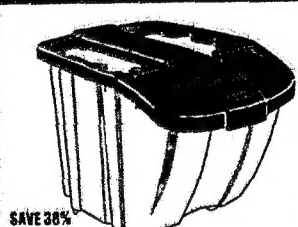
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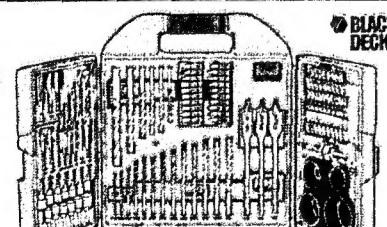
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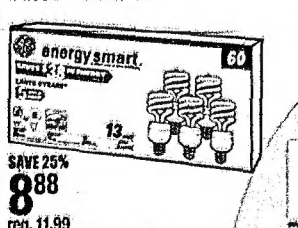
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From Bethel Historical Society's Regional History Center

Lewiston native Thomas Desjardin, currently Historic Site Specialist with the Maine Bureau of Parks and Lands and a Civil War scholar, was the featured speaker at the 43rd Annual Meeting of the Bethel Historical Society on Sept. 10. His topic was "Oxford County and the Civil War."

Educated at Florida State University (B.A. and M.A.) with a Ph.D. from the University of Maine, he is the author of several books on Civil War topics, including "Stand Firm Ye Boys From Maine: The 20th Maine and the Gettysburg Campaign" published by Oxford University Press.

In his detailed power point presentation, Desjardin made a number of comparisons between what was happening on the national level and in Oxford County. The first casualty of the war is believed to be an Oxford County man serving in a Massachusetts regiment. Vice President Hannibal Hamlin of Paris Hill actually served as an enlisted man. The County sent a good many men to serve, including Clark S. Edwards of Bethel, who commanded the 5th Maine at Gettysburg.

One of the conclusions, Desjardin noted was that Oxford County lost more population than other counties in Maine as a result of the war. Men saw other parts of the nation and just did not want to return to eke out a living in the stubborn rocky soils of Oxford County.

Prior to the lecture, a bountiful potluck supper was enjoyed by over forty members and friends. Following the supper, there was a brief annual meeting conducted by President Susan Herlihy. She announced that the report of the last annual meeting and the financial

statement had been previously published in the society's Courier.

A moment of silence was observed for all those members who had died since the last annual meeting. These included: Ruth Sorofman, Arthur Johnson, Arlene G. Brown, Virginia D. Keniston, Nancy Coe Wells, Elden Bennett, Elmer Lyons, Clarice Gibson, Helen Anna Morton, Sarah Stevens, Ida C. Bryant, Kathleen Spaulding Bean, Josephine Monahan, Gwyneth Bohr, Allan Carlson and Edward V. Bush.

In her review of some of the highlights of the past year, Mrs. Herlihy cited fifty-four gifts to the museum collection and research library, the addition of sixty new members, a successful conference on the history of the Maine Grange, and the acquisition of new computer and telephone systems. In addition to the usual special events and monthly lectures, she noted the society sponsored two symposiums in the spring on Bethel women writers and Abraham Lincoln and New England in commemoration of the bicentenary of his birth.

Also cited was the hiring of Jim Dock as development director, the raising of over \$47,000 for the annual fund, a record amount, the adoption by the Board of Trustees of the Strategic Plan, and the addition of a handicapped ramp and bathroom to the Robinson House, thanks to grants from the Davis Family Foundation and Franklin Savings Bank. Moreover, a reader/printer was acquired, thanks to the Davis Family Foundation and an infrastructure matching grant from the Maine Humanities Council.

The Davis Family Foundation grant will also allow the society to secure additional steel shelving for collection storage. Edie Doyle was the 2009 student intern.

Ken Bohr, chair of the society's Historic Preservation Committee presented the 2009 Bethel Historical Society Preservation Award to William Weston of Rumford, whose majestic barn will be included on the 2009 Society Barn Tour on Sept. 19. The citation for Weston was announced as follows: "Bill Weston has restored his grand ca. 1880 barn to reflect the 'glory' of what it must have been at the time of its construction 120 years ago. The Bethel Historical Society congratulates him on this remarkable achievement." Longtime member Annie

Hastings was also presented an "honorable mention" preservation award for her careful stewardship of her home at the corner of Main and Broad.

Mrs. Herlihy presented the 2009 Marjorie MacArthur Noll Volunteer Service Award to Walt and Carol Hatch with the following remarks: "It is a great pleasure to present this award for outstanding volunteer service to Walt and Carol Hatch for their many years of selfless donation to the society beginning in about 1990. Walt has served in many capacities and offices, including Secretary, Vice President, President, Board Chair and especially Treasurer with distinction. Among other contributions, Carol has also performed outstanding service for several years during which she kept the kitchen tidy and the bathrooms clean. Few organizations in the community have had such active and generous benefactors for so many years."

Two honorary memberships were awarded by vote of the Board of Trustees and were announced since both recipients were unable to be present. To be selected as an honorary member, one must be at least 75 years of age and have compiled a long record of service to the society. It is the highest membership honor. Mrs. Herlihy presented one to Lucia Schwarz who has been a "stalwart" assemblage and preparing for mailing society publications for many years. She has also worked in the society's gardens, on the New Year's event, and a hostess at house tours. The other was awarded to Jackie Van Leuven who has served in numerous capacities through the years including the New Year's Bethel committee, trustee, capital campaign and as a museum shop volunteer.

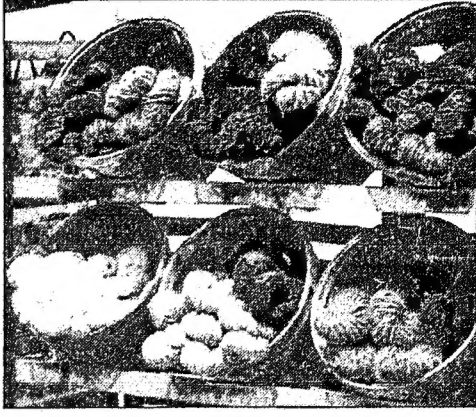
Al Cressy announced for the Committee on Trustees the following officer and trustee nominations: president, Susan Herlihy; vice president, William Andrews; secretary, Kent Taylor; Sylvia Clanton, treasurer; trustees, Nancy Davis, Jacalyn Bell, William Straus, Jack Brooks, and Nancy Stowell White. The slate was approved without dissent.

President Herlihy thanked retiring treasurer Walt Hatch for his long record of service to the board.

Development Committee chair Kent Taylor then discussed the revised dues structure, which was approved

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by the membership.

The 2009 annual meeting was then adjourned and the speaker introduced by Executive Director Stanley R. Howe followed.

Barn Tour

William Weston's ca. 1880 barn in Rumford was selected for the 2009 Historic Preservation Award, which was presented at the Bethel Historical Society's 43rd annual meeting last week. It will be open on Saturday, Sept. 19 between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. as part of the society's 2009 Barn Tour.

The Bethel Harvest Fest celebration on Saturday, Sept. 19, will include the Bethel Historical Society's 2009 Barn Tour among the events of the day. A tour of several historic barns ranging from an English barn in Northwest Bethel to two outstanding barns in the eastern part of Rumford will be featured. Along the way from Bethel to Rumford, participants can visit several other barns, including the 1820s Hastings Homestead barn on Broad Street, which will feature cider making. The hours for the tour will be from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tickets for admission to these barns will be available beginning at 9 a.m. on Saturday morning at the society's O'Neil Robinson House, directly across Broad Street from the town common. The ticket price is \$10 per person.

There will be a Grange Supper at Alder River Grange at 1895 Intervale Road in the evening beginning at 5 p.m. Following the supper, Stanley R. Howe, Maine State Grange Historian and executive director of the Bethel Historical Society will present a free lecture on Maine Grange Halls in the meeting room of the Dr. Moses Mason House, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

From the Bethel Rotary Club

Club supports 4-H Camp and children in Haiti

The Bethel Rotary has been granted a Rotary District Simplified Grant in the amount of \$2,000 for building a greenhouse and chicken tractor at the Bryant Pond 4-H Camp and Learning Center.

These will be used as part of the Sustain Maine Initiative with the goal of sponsoring and supporting the use and awareness of sustainable agricultural practices within the camps programs and in the community.

Construction of the greenhouse should begin in October.

One of our other international projects is Project Hope, a community in Haiti consisting of an orphanage, school, farm and medical facilities for

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They are hoping to add chicken and eggs to the children's diet more frequently.

To do that they need more chickens for a sustainable poultry population. Raising and breeding chickens is a valuable skill they can teach the children today, so they can have independence tomorrow.

We are also partnering with 13 other Rotary clubs in the United States to apply for a Matching Grant to purchase equipment and supplies needed to construct 300 bicycle-wheelchairs for Polio survivors in Northern Nigeria.

The wheelchairs will enable individual survivors the ability to lead productive, independent lives.

Local service projects

Upcoming community service activities include installing a handicap access ramp for a local resident and assisting local residents with weatherization installations.

For the second year, the Bethel Rotary Club will be lighting the tree on the Bethel Common and selling Memory/Honor Lights for \$5 each.

Several Rotarians will be present at the 12th annual Bethel Harvest Fest on Saturday, Sept. 19, staffing a Rotary booth, and they will have Memory/Honor Light tickets for sale.

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Competition**

Twelve teams will be competing in The Upper Andro Two Fly Contest and Northeast Drift Boat Championship scheduled for the weekend of Sept. 19 and 20 in conjunction with Bethel's Annual Harvest Fest. The competitions are the annual fundraisers for the Upper Andro Anglers Alliance, a nonprofit group dedicated to the conservation, protection, restoration and promotion of the natural fishing resource of the Upper Androscoggin River, its tributaries, watershed and environs.

The Two Fly contest will test the skills of anglers to fly fish, using only two flies, for the most and the largest of the three trout species, brown, rainbow and brook found in the Upper Androscoggin River from the New Hampshire border to Rumford Center. Teams of three including two anglers and a referee/oarsman must fish from an open drift boat or raft beginning at 6 a.m. and concluding at 2 p.m.

Prizes including rods and fishing gear supplied by Kittery Trading Post, L.L. Bean, Patagonia, and the Orvis Company will be awarded Saturday afternoon immediately following a parade of the drift boats up Main Street and around the Bethel Town Common. A perpetual trophy named after Rocky Freda, founder of Sun Valley Sports and the Upper Andro Anglers Alliance, will be presented to the team with the largest catch.

A tally of fishing catches will be updated throughout the day at the Upper Andro Anglers Alliance's booth on the Bethel Town Common. The Alliance will offer fly tying and fly casting instruction and Robert Romano, author of "North of Easie," a novel about fly

fishing in the Rangeley region will be signing his new book.

The Second Annual Northeast Drift Boat Championship will be held Sunday, Sept. 20 at 10:30 a.m. Designed as a spectator event, the competition will test oarsmen's skills at navigating a course and rowing speed. Each drift boat must carry at least one angler, who must remain standing throughout the timed race. The launch will be from Bethel Outdoor Adventures on Route 2 and the finish line is at Davis Park in Bethel, a distance of a quarter mile.

Sponsors for teams registered to compete include The Bethel Inn Resort, Casco Bay Anglers Club, Eldredge Bros. Fly Shop, Fly Rod & Reel Magazine, Gray Ghost Productions, Maine Tourism Association, Moat Mountain Brewery, No Drip Painting and 3rd Generation Flooring, Patagonia and Wild River Angler, Schiavi Home Builders, Skinny Moose Media, Striking Gold Jewelers and Williams Broadcasting.

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From
**Oxford Hills
Duplicate Bridge
Club**

Oxford Hills Duplicate Bridge Club met Friday at 9:15 in the Fare Share building, Main Street, Norway.

A 4 and 1/2 table Howell movement was enjoyed.

Finishing first in flight A were Penny and Robert Thomas with Priscilla Routh and Carol Curran second who also were first in flight B.

Third in flight A were Cindy Kirchherr and Sue Farnum who were also second in flight



CROP WALK RAISES \$2,700—A total of 39 people walked three miles around the village of Bethel Sunday to raise over \$2,700 for hunger relief. The CROP (Communities Respond to Overcome Poverty) funds support the work of Church World Service internationally and the Good Shepherd Food Bank locally. Organizers Chris Trefethen and Jane Chandler said they were pleased with the response around town and the good weather. Amy Davis and Ken Bohr provided rest stops for the walkers. The West Parish Congregational Church annually sponsors this local walk. The work of Church World Service extends to 80 countries and partners with dozens of international aid agencies to provide ongoing funds to reduce poverty and provide disaster relief. (Photo: Jane Chandler)

B. Finishing third in flight B were Linda Smith and Jack Neal.

Next Friday there will be another game same time and place; a partner is always guaranteed. All bridge players are cordially invited. Parking is in the rear. For information call Les Buzzell 783-4153 or 754-9154 or e-mail at buzz116@myfairpoint.net.

From
**Roxbury ATV
Riders**

On Sunday, Sept. 6, 2009, under a beautiful blue sky and sunshine, the 5th annual Donald E. Ryerson Memorial Poker Run was held. Over 165 ATVs registered for the poker run. The ride went up and around the backside of Garland Pond to South Arm and back to the Roxbury Park and Ride, where riders then went to the home of Mike and Wanda Worthley for a bar-b-que for the riders.

Over \$650 was raised from registration fees, food sales and donations to benefit the Donald E. Ryerson Children's Welfare Fund. Peter Stenquist

won \$110 from having the best poker hand from the ride; second place Andrea Roy \$97; and third place Kolby Banker \$70.

A \$100 door prize was donated by Craig Ryerson and won by Mike Parker who in turn donated the funds back to the Memorial Fund. Sue Cross was the lucky winner of the 50/50 winning \$93. She also donated these winnings back to the Memorial Fund. Other donations were received from Cleo Ryerson and Dennis Doyon. The fund receives 1/3 of both the registration fees and money raised from the bar-b-que and any donations anyone may wish to donate.

Donald was the son of Mike and Wanda Worthley of Roxbury and Craig and Jane Ryerson of Bethel. He was killed in a car accident on Aug. 2, 2002. Donald loved children and also loved four-wheeling and thus the Memorial Ride was created to benefit a special fund that helps out young children in need.

We would like to thank all riders who attended this event, all those who donated their winnings back to the fund and those who made donations. Also a big thank

you goes to the continued support of the Roxbury ATV Rider Members who volunteer their time to mark the trails, put out the boxes for the ride, set up tables, chairs, do the grilling, sell shirts, track the poker hands and just help out all around. Thank you.

From
**Oxford County
Democrats**

The Oxford County Democrats held a number of successful events in August and early September.

The Energy Reception and Lecture in Greenwood attracted more than thirty attendees despite threats of tornados, and some hard rain. The talk and reception was held at the Indian Pond home of Greenwood residents Henry and Pat Stewart and featured MIT professor Henry Jacoby discussing national energy policy. Attendees came from Harrison, Waterford, Bethel, Rumford, South Paris, Norway, Greenwood and Woodstock.

On Aug. 30, over eighty people attended the Summer BBQ and Family Fun Day at the 4-H camp in Bryant Pond for a Meet and Greet with Democratic gubernatorial candidates Senator Libby Mitchell, former Attorney

General Steve Rowe, Portland businesswoman Rosa Scarelli, Rep. Dawn Hill and former Biddeford mayor Donna Dion. Also attending were Congressman Mike Michaud, Attorney General Janet Mills, Assistant Majority Leader Seth Berry, Maine Democratic Party Vice-Chair Marianne Stevens, Commissioner of Economic and Community Development John Richardson and Dept. of Conservation staffer Bob Duplessie. Local officeholders Sheriff Wayne Gallant and Chief Deputy Dane Tripp, Rep. Matt Peterson, Rep. Terry Hayes, Rep. Sheryl Briggs and Rep. Helen Rankin were in attendance and John Patrick represented Sen. Bruce Bryant who was working in the NewPage mill. Following a delicious BBQ lunch complete with fresh-picked Carter Farm corn and strawberry shortcake, the gubernatorial candidates offered remarks moderated by County Chair Cathy Newell.

The Dixfield Outdoor Market on Aug. 16 was the occasion of a successful fundraising yard sale for the Democrats chaired by Rep. Briggs and Gloria Patenaude, assisted by Senator Bryant, Cathy Newell and Jimmy McHugh. The occasion also provided the opportunity to distribute materials and for Rep. Briggs and Sen. Bryant to greet constituents.

The Oxford County Democrats have been working with the Change that Works Campaign on Healthcare promoting House Meetings. Recent well-attended meetings have been held in Buckfield and Bethel. Several Democrats greeted the SEIU Ambulance Tour for Healthcare Reform in Rumford on Aug. 20. John Patrick, Cathy Newell, John Gould, and Jimmy McHugh were among the participants.

The Oxford County Democrats turned out for the Labor Day parade and festivities in Buckfield with Rep. Terry Hayes marching in the parade, and a variety of Democrats including County Chair Cathy Newell and Jimmy McHugh of Mexico staffing the booth. Kevin Kramer of the Change that Works campaign for healthcare and worker rights attended and circulated through the crowd gathering signatures for healthcare reform.

For information about the Oxford County Democrats, visit www.oxforddems.org or check out the group and page on Facebook.

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THEY'RE OFF—Telstar High School hosted a cross-country meet last week. THS runners at the start are (beginning third from left, in T-star shirts): Tony York, Mathew Keane, Melody Royer, Nicholas Kingsbury, Evan Fessenden, Morgan Lee, Ben Lewis, Gavin Lee. (Photo: A. Aloisio)

Telstar High School Fall Sports Outlooks

Field Hockey

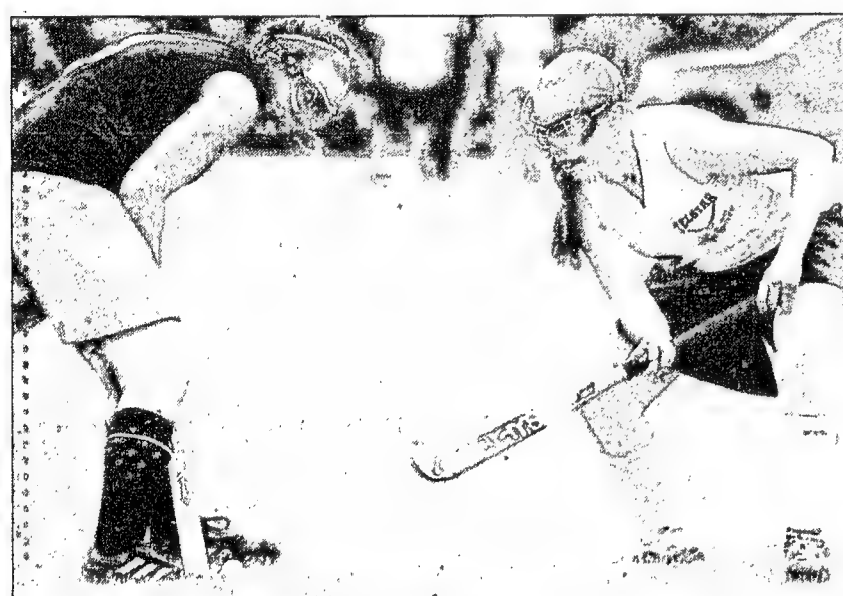
Returning seniors include Megan Bonney (halfback); Mariah Bundy (fullback); T.J. Cowin (forward); Desirae Cox (fullback); Carin Donachie (halfback); Lindsay James (midfielder); Sam Largess (halfback); Amanda Wiley (forward). Returning letter winners include juniors Emma Davis (halfback); Kayla Merrill (midfield); Jamie Steven (forward). New players include juniors Sarah Averill (halfback); Victoria Forkus (midfielder); Gail Lavorgna (defense), Jean Lawrence (defense); Katie Sumner (forward); Sam Tibbetts (goalkeeper); Rose Wright (defense) and sophomore Kallie Brown (forward).

"We have a strong core returning and numbers to keep players fresh on field," said Coach Gail Wight. "We have a new keeper this year, and defense has been a focus at practice. Our season has opened and the team is starting to play as a strong unit."

Cross-Country

Girls squad runners include juniors Kimberlie Dean, Morgan Lee, Taylor Maines, and Melody Royer. Melody is the lone returning girl on the team. The others are new to cross country, Coach Gary Wight said. "Taylor had a strong track season last spring in the distance events. Morgan and Kim also ran track in the spring. It would be nice to come up with one more girl to have a complete team. We need 5 to score as a team," he said.

Boys squad members include seniors Evan Fessenden, Nic Kingsbury, Gavin Lee, and Tony York; and sophomores Timothy Jewell, Matthew Keane, Ben Lewis, and Adam Mahar. "Evan, Gavin, Ben, and Adam are returning letter winners and should be among the top runners," said Wight. "Nic, Tim, and Matthew are all pretty close together and should help form a tight pack. Tony is new to running and is showing good progress."



PERFECT TOUCH

Telstar's Katie Sumner, right, controls the ball in front of the St. Dom's cage in a game Friday at Telstar. The Rebels won, 10-0. Sumner and teammate T.J. Cowin each scored four goals. (Photo: A. Aloisio)

Sports

High School Boys' Varsity Soccer

Telstar 2, Mt. Valley 1; Sept. 10—Telstar's Dusty Bailey and Tyler Brown each scored a goal in a win over Mt. Valley. Goalie Dan Vaughn had 10 saves.

High School Varsity Field Hockey

Telstar 3, Mt. Valley 0; Sept. 14—Varsity field hockey tallied a win against the Mt. Valley Falcons 3-0. Katie Sumner scored first on an assist by Kayla Merrill. T.J. Cowin and Victoria Forkus both scored unassisted. Defense was led by Lindsay James, Sarah Averill and Mariah Bundy. Not a pretty game but in the end we were victorious. Kayla Merrill scored first to lead the varsity field hockey team to a 10-0 victory vs. St. Dom's. Also scoring were Amanda Wiley, Katie Sumner (4), and T.J. Cowin (4). Earning assists were: Lindsay James (2), Kallie Brown (2), Mariah Bundy (2), Kayla Merrill, and T.J. Cowin. Great defense held St. Dom's to 2 shots on goal. —Coach Gail Wight

Telstar 2, Jay 0; Sept. 9—T.J. Cowin led the Rebels to a victory over Jay. During a scramble in front of the cage on a hit from Amanda Wiley, T.J. hit net with 1 minute 10 seconds left in first half. 30 seconds into second half T.J.'s second goal came on a pass from Kayla Merrill. The defense led by Sam Largess and Victoria Forkus and an outstanding save by keeper Sam Tibbetts resulted in a shut out with Jay being held to one shot on goal. Great game team. —Coach Gail Wight

High School J.V. Field Hockey

Mt. Valley 3, Telstar 2; Sept. 14—Telstar's Jenna Putnam scored both goals for Telstar. Great defensive efforts by Jean Lawrence, Heather Miller, and Kelsey Averill. Kallie Brown, Naomi Ellsworth, and Amanda Thurston put in strong offensive pressure. Tabitha Corriveau made three saves in goal. —Coach Lori Davis

Telstar 5, St. Dom's 0; Sept. 11—Telstar's Naomi Ellsworth scored the final goal of the night as the clock ticked down to zero to help the Rebels defeat St. Doms. Susan Newkirk started the scoring for the Rebels off a penalty corner in the first half. Jenna Putnam had two goals and one assist and Carlee Beatson had one goal. Kendra Carter was a key contributor to Telstar's defense. RayAnne Morin and Brianna Santos provided excellent support to the offense. Echo Hoyt and Tabitha Corriveau shared time in the cage. Corriveau made one save. The team worked really well together throughout the whole game. —Coach Lori Davis

Jay 2, Telstar 1; Sept. 9—Telstar lost a hard-fought game against Jay. All goals were scored in the first half. Jenna Putnam scored the lone Telstar goal with an assist by Kallie Brown. The team really put the pressure on the Jay defense at the end of the second half, but just couldn't get the ball past the goalie. Tabitha Corriveau and Echo Hoyt shared time in the cage. Hoyt made an incredible save during the second half on a high hit from the Jay offense. Great defensive support was provided by Gail Lavorgna, Hunter Verrill, and Mary Mason. —Coach Lori Davis

High School Boys' Cross-country

Lisbon 29, Telstar 41, Carrabec 67; Sept. 9—Winning time: 17:19. Telstar runners: 3. Ben Lewis 18:34; 4. Adam Mahar 18:49; 13. Evan Fessenden 21:34; 16. Nic Kingsbury 22:31; 17. Tim Jewel 23:11; 18. Mathew Keane 23:12; 20. Gave Lee 24:00; 42. Tony York 34:42.

High School Girls' Cross-country

Madison 25, Lisbon 30, Telstar no score; Sept. 9—Winning time: 24:02. Telstar runners: 3. Taylor Maines 24:45; 29. Morgan Lee 25:35; 8. Melody Royer 26:08; 11. Kim Dean 27:08.

High School Golf

Mt. Valley 5, Telstar 2; Sept. 10—Telstar's Josh Krahn and Kyle Peterson beat their opponents, forcing the match to go to team totals. Mt. Valley edged the Rebels 183-186 to win the match 5-2. Trevor Kendall shot a low round of 40 for Telstar. Danny Whitney and Corey Howard both carded 45's. The Rebels are now 2-3 on the season.

TMS Varsity Field Hockey

Livermore 2, Telstar 1; Sept. 15—Telstar's Molly Bruce did an excellent job stepping into sweep position making incredible stops and nice drives. My mid fielders: Autumn Morin, Kayla Verrill, Calli Inman, Annaliese Smith, and Mariha Morin showed some great hustle out on the field and made some amazing blocks. Mackenzie Blake made our goal with an assist from Gabby Monzo. Coach Tracy Morin

Playday at Jay, Sept. 12—From Coach Tracy Morin: "I am pleased with the stops and hits each of my players made in the four scrimmage games we played at Jay, especially with only having a couple of practices. We tied two scrimmages with a score of -0 against Lisbon and Mt. Valley, won one game against Mt. Valley 1-0, and lost our game against Jay 1-0. Rachel Boyd has sure grown into her position as sweep with her powerful hits to the mids and front line. Mackenzie Blake played her position and made some excellent passes. Halli Barter was amazing in defensive position especially with this being her first year playing field hockey. Dakota Verrill made our score against Mt. Valley with an assist from Autumn Morin." —Coach Tracy Morin

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Upper Andro Anglers Alliance (UAAA) fly tying and fly casting demo. 2 Fly contestants will be phoning in their catches throughout the day. Prizes awarded at 3:30pm.
10:00am-3:00pm:
Book signing by Robert Romano of "North of Ease" a fly-fishing novel set in the Rangely Lakes region at the UAAA booth.

All Day:
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3:00pm:
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Announcement of the UAAA Two-Fly Contest winners.

3:30pm: Library quilt raffle drawing.

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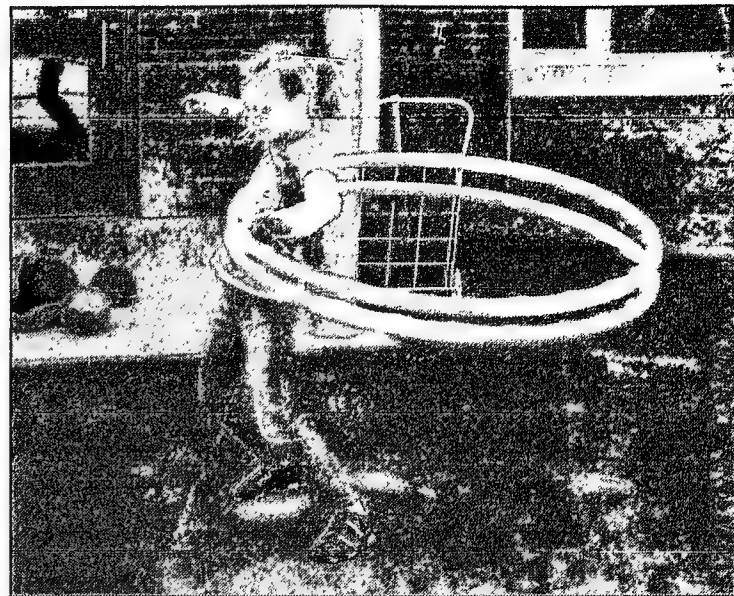
From the Director

Welcome to Mahoosuc Kids 9th year of offering after school programs for the students in SAD#44. We had a wonderful summer and had over 150 children participate in our Summer Adventure Program! We begin the school year with 4 sites open and offering some really exciting programs for kids. I am so pleased to have a dedicated staff of familiar faces returning to our sites. At Crescent Park, Angie Rosenberg, Megan Kelly, and Ashley Brown are the core staff. At Woodstock, Veronica Penley returns to be the director at WES. At Telstar Middle School, Lorie White begins her 6th year as that site director and at Telstar High School, Michele Bouchard begins her 2nd year at that site. We are fortunate to have a great group of teachers and community members also offer programs and assist with homework labs. We are looking forward to celebrating "Lights on After-school" in October with more information in next months newsletter. As always, please feel free to call me at CPS (824-7007) if you have any questions or would like to offer any programs for kids.

- Julie Hart,
MKA Director



Opening day at Telstar Middle School was a blast with 31 students attending. So much was going on. We had tie dying, the Wii, board games and some very yummy snacks!!!



New student Elle Blair hula hooping with two extra large hoops



Emmanuel Garcia, Mario DeVivo, and Alexander Baribeau hanging after school



Bella DeVivo hanging around



Mario DeVivo and Joziiah Learned-Stewart playing marble maze for afternoon activities

THE WIGGLES ARE COMING TO PORTLAND!
See next week's Citizen for details on how you could win **FREE TICKETS!!!**

MKA Fall Newsletter 2009
Crescent Park School Site

Welcome Back, Mahoosuc Kids & Families!

School has officially begun, which means MKA is back in session! We are excited for all that lies ahead of us this year. First of all, we spent some time making the room new and different. We moved our computer, changed the tables, made a kids computer cubby, and turned the stairs into a comfortable reading area. We have also made some changes to our schedule. Once we finish snack, we will be joining together to have a discussion about our afternoon agenda. This will allow the kids to become more aware of what is going to be offered and will also help them to decide what activities they would like to be a part of.

This fall, we will be starting right away with our Fryeburg Fair craft entries. For individual projects, we will be submitting hand crafted candles and painted candle holders made out of clay. Our group project is going to be a multi-cultural poster inspired by the beautiful lyrics of John Lennon's famous song "Imagine."

Our enrichments consist of Homework Help, Imagination Station, Dell Discovery, Cooking Creations, Gym Games, Fryeburg Fair Preparation, Soccer with Ms. Ingraham, and a brand new enrichment, Science Sensations with Mrs. Norma Salway! This will be an enrichment offered for students in grades 3 to 5, and she has described it as "an after-school program that explores the world of science through song, dance, rap, chant, puppetry, and experiments." In October, we will also be offering Art Club with Ms. I and Theater with Megan. You can look forward to photography, gymnastics, Karate, Lego league, and maybe even a field hockey program as well!

We are going to be celebrating Lights On! After school in Friday, October 23rd with a family dinner to follow. For those of you who are familiar with this event, MKA hosts a celebration of our program filled with fall inspired crafts, exciting games, tasty treats, and more! There will be additional information to follow in the weeks to come.

Thank you for your continued support of the Mahoosuc Kids Association After-School Program at Crescent Park. We are looking forward to a great year!

Megan, Angie & Ashley

MKA Fall Newsletter 2009
Woodstock School Site

Dear Woodstock School Families,

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you all back to another fun-filled year with the Mahoosuc Kids Association. For those of you who are unfamiliar with the program, here is a brief overview.

Mahoosuc Kids Philosophy:
Mahoosuc Kids Association is an after-school program which operates with the philosophy of service to children, parents, and the community. For children, the program offers a safe, supportive environment that encourages creativity and positive self-esteem through wholesome and fun activities. Also included are age appropriate education activities, creative play, and nutritious snacks. For parents, the program offers an affordable program with dependable scheduling and flexible enrollment policies. For the community, the program provides support for local businesses, social services, schools, and families.

Fees:
There is a \$25.00 enrollment fee per family due upon enrollment. PM fee is \$8.00 per afternoon for enrolled students and \$10.00 per afternoon for non-enrolled students.
Enrichment fees are \$8.00 per afternoon for enrolled students and \$10.00 per afternoon for non-enrolled students.
A sliding fee is available upon request for families receiving free or reduced lunches. **Please refer to the contract for extra fees for late payments and late arrival for pick-up.**

Reservations:
Reservations need to be made prior to the day of care to arrange appropriate staff to child ratios. You may send a note to your child's teacher at the beginning of each week, or call the Woodstock School ofice at 665-2228.

NEW THIS YEAR!
The Mahoosuc Kids program has a new home! We will be sharing the resource room with Dee Robinson. No more old treks to the bathroom. Hip, hip, hooray! This also means that you will no longer be able to reach me on the phone number listed on the enrollment forms. You can call the school's number where Quenda will take your messages during the day. After school, the phone rings in all the classrooms as well as the office. To reach me directly after school, you have my permission to call my cell phone at 890-7764.

Thank you for the opportunity to tell you about this wonderful program. If you have any questions, please feel free to call or stop by and visit us after School.

Sincerely,
Veronica Penley
Program Director

Little Bits Enrichments

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Events Calendar

9 a.m. to Noon - **Bethel Farmers Market**, every Saturday through Oct. 31 at Norway Savings Bank (Route 2 and Parkway). Locally grown and fresh: produce, beef, pork, poultry, breads, pies and other baked goods.

9:15 a.m. (Fridays) - **Oxford Hills Duplicate Bridge** at Fare Share Food Coop, 443 Main Street, Norway. For more information, call Les Buzzell at 783-4153 or 754-9153; or e-mail: buzz116@myfairpoint.net.

6:30 p.m. Mondays - **Hillsmen Barbershop Chorus** rehearses at Catholic Church, Norway, New singers welcome. FMI: call Dr. Tere Porter 743-0656 evenings or Pat Fleck at 647-5005.

Every Wednesday, 7 to 9 p.m. **The Yet To be Named Banjo Club** practices Fare Share Market, 477 Main Street, Norway. Interested banjoists invited to join. Public welcome. FMI: call Alan Hamilton at 875-2680.

First and Third Wednesdays 9 to 12 a.m. - **Veterans' Advocate** will be at Maine Veterans' Home, South Paris on Sept. 2.

Wednesdays 6 to 7:30 p.m. - **People in recovery from alcohol/drug addiction** may need to move to a Next Step group. Open to everyone who feels they may benefit from a change. FMI: call Laurence Austin at 824-4077 (all calls confidential).

Wednesday nights - **TOPS**, take off pounds sensibly, at Bethel Alliance Church from 5:30 to 6 p.m. (weigh in) and meeting from 6 to 6:30 p.m. All welcome. FMI: call 824-3288.

Wednesdays 10 to 11 a.m. - **Tai Chi at Ellie's Express**: 5 to 6 p.m. at Bethel Family Health Center. Taught by Betsey Foster, MPH. To register, contact her at 875-2426 or BSF@megalink.net.

Thursdays 1 to 3 p.m. - **Cross Country Quilters** of Pine Tree Quilt Guild of Maine meet at Moses Mason House Barn, corner of Broad and Mason streets, Bethel. All quilters welcome. No dues, no rules, just fun. FMI: e-mail Pat McCartney at p.quilts@yahoo.com or call Kathy Thrall at 824-3111.

Thursdays, 1:30 to 3 p.m. - **Cancer Wellness Support Group** support and education for cancer patients, survivors, caregivers at Rumford Hospital, Room 357 (2nd floor). Call (877) 336-7287 (toll free) to confirm during stormy weather.

At Harvest Gold Gallery

Jean Swan Gordon, Brunswick, brings her 'Joie de Vivre' to Harvest Gold Gallery, Route 5, Center Lovell, Maine. Also, Varvara's work. Open daily. FMI: call 925-6502 or visit www.harvestgoldgallery.com.

Thursday, Sept. 17

Clean-Up Day at Riverside Cemetery, North Road, Bethel.

Friday, Sept. 18

10:30 a.m. - **Oxford County Education Association-Retired** meeting at Bolsters Mills Methodist Church. Program: "A Matter of Balance" by Chris Hayden. If not on phone tree, call 743-7677 to reserve lunch.

5 to 6 p.m. - **Harvest Supper** at Lovell U.C.C., Route 5, Center Lovell. Menu: corned beef, cabbage, beets, carrots, potatoes, turnip, bread, pie, coffee, lemonade. Adults \$8, children under 12 \$4.

5 p.m. to dark - **Cruisin' Norway**, hosted by L.F. Pike in Parking Lot next to store, Main Street. Hot Rods and Classic Cars. Antique tractors invited to display. Music, door prizes, raffles and special registration packs to first 80 cars that sign in. FMI: 743-6561. Bicycles, skateboard and pets on chain leashes discouraged.

7 to 9 p.m. - **Holistic Approach to Influenza**, with Dr. Mary Bove and Kevin Pennell from SpiritWings, Bethel, at Telstar (please use front entrance). Free. Holistic approach and information on influenza including Swine Flu. FMI: call 824-2204.

It's always wise to call ahead

Listings in The Citizen's weekly Community Calendar are compiled from a wide variety of sources. While we do our utmost to ensure the reliability of the information presented here, we recognize that when dealing with such a large volume of material, some inaccuracies will occasionally creep in. And in other cases, a sponsoring organization's plans may change between the time The Citizen is printed and the event is held.

Accordingly, we strongly urge our readers to call ahead to verify the details of any event they plan to attend. Doing so will greatly reduce the chance of disappointment or needless inconvenience.

Saturday, Sept. 19

12th Annual Bethel Harvest Fest & Chowdah Cook-off, sponsored by Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce. Arts and Crafts festival on Bethel Common (few more vendor spaces available (824-2282). Scarecrow decorating by individuals on lawns, etc., Chowdah Cook-off, free horse-drawn wagon rides, entertainment on gazebo on common, woodcarving demo, Apple Pie Contest, Upper Andro Anglers Annual Two Fly Contest (6 a.m.). See website for registration, etc., Bethel Historical Society's official opening of "Sunday River, Mt. Abram and More! Celebrating the Ski Heritage of the Bethel Area," self-guided barn tours 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (\$10 available at Bethel Historical Society), Chondola rides at Sunday River Resort, apple picking, alpaca farm visits, the UAAA Driftboat Competition at 10 a.m. Sunday.

9 to 11 a.m. - **SpiritWings Herbal Walkabout**. Join Dr. Mary Bove and Kevin Pennell for this fourth free herbal walkabout. Meet at SpiritWings, 14 Main Street, Bethel, at 8:45 a.m. Dress appropriately. Bring notebook and water to drink. FMI: 824-2204.

11 a.m. to noon - **Rick Charette**, singer/songwriter, will perform at Maine Wildlife Park, Gray (rain or shine). FMI: call 657-4977 or visit www.maine-wildlife-park.com or mefishwildlife.com.

1 p.m. - **At McLaughlin Garden**, South Paris; Scott Vlaun of Moosepond Arts and Ecology and Kristin Perry, director of Horticulture at McLaughlin Garden will present workshop on Seed Saving Basics at Scott Vlaun's farm in Otisfield. Hands-on, fun and educational for all ages. FMI: visit www.mclaughlingarden.org or call 743-8820.

5 p.m. - **Public Supper** at Alder River Grange, East Bethel. Menu baked beans and ham, salads, desserts. \$7 for adults and \$3 for under 13.

5 p.m. - **Chicken Pie Supper** at Bolsters Mills United Methodist Church. Second seating 6 p.m. and third seating if needed. Cost: \$7 for adults and \$3 for children 12 and under. Call 583-9024 for more information.

5:30 to 6:30 p.m. - **Public Supper** at West Bethel Union Church. Adults \$7, \$3 for children under 12.

7:30 p.m. - **Randy Judkins**, superclown, returns to Lovell Brick Church for the Performing Arts in Lovell Village with juggling, unicycle rides, physical comedy and magic. Tickets available at door: \$10 adults and \$5 children. FMI: call 925-2792 or visit www.lovellbrickchurch.org.

7:30 p.m. - **Grange Halls in Pine Tree State**, illustrated talk by Dr. Stanley R. Howe in conjunction with Bethel Historical Society's exhibit, "To Improve the Farmer's Lot: The Grange in Maine" at Dr. Moses Mason House exhibit hall. Free.

Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 19-20

7:30 p.m. - **Odd Fest 24**, benefit for Camp Sunshine, Casco. 24-hour non-stop variety show at Oddfellow Theater, Buckfield. FMI or reservations: call the box office at 336-3306.

Sunday, Sept. 20

9 a.m. to 2 p.m. - **K-9 Carnival** at Bethel Animal Hospital, Route 26. All proceeds benefit area shelters. Activities: agility demos, a dog sulky demo, games for you and your dog, a pet photographer, and more.

1 p.m. - **At McLaughlin Garden**, South Paris: the Poland Players will transform the garden into a theatre with production of "Romeo & Juliet" Refreshments available for sale. Rain or shine. FMI: visit www.mclaughlingarden.org or call 743-8820.

2 p.m. - **Finnish-American Heritage Society** meeting at Finnish-American Heritage Center, 8 Maple Street, West Paris. Program by Lorrain Pirainen on Indonesian culture with food and displays. Coffee social follows. Public welcome.

Tuesdays, Sept. 22, 29, Oct. 6, 13

7:30 to 8:30 p.m. - **Ballroom Dance Class** at Greenwood Town Hall. Donation: \$25. All proceeds go to Bethel Food Bank. FMI: call 665-2788.

Thursday, Sept. 24

Noon to 5 p.m. - **"Give Blood."** Telstar National Honor So-

ciety sponsoring American Red Cross Blood Drive at Telstar gymnasium. Call (800) GIVE-LIFE for appointment.

6 to 7 p.m. - **Open House and Book Fair** at Crescent Park School. Refreshments served.

Friday, Sept. 25

6:30 p.m. - **Norway Open Mic Night** at First Universalist Church, 479 Main Street. Sign-up for performers begins 6:30 p.m. and open mic at 7 p.m. \$3 donation at door. Refreshments available. FMI: call Heather at 985-4505 or e-mail vesselrecordings@yahoo.com.

Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 25, 26, 27
Gould Academy Alumni Weekend. Parade of classes Saturday 11:45 a.m.; noon, Alumni Luncheon, etc. FMI: call 824-7762 (Becky).

Saturday, Sept. 26

8 a.m. to 1 p.m. - **Yard and Bake Sale** at Locke Mills Union Church. Tables for rent \$5 (call 875-2102 or 674-2259).

9 a.m. - **Ladies Breakfast** at Crosstones Restaurant. Those who plan to attend please call Beth Hoover at 665-2171.

9 a.m. to 12 noon - **2009 Household Hazardous Waste Collection** at SAD44 Bus Barn (corner Main Street and Cross Street near railroad tracks) for residents of Bethel, Greenwood, Hanover, Newry and Woodstock, Rumford, Mexico, Andover, Byron, Canton, Dixfield, Peru, Roxbury. Free. FMI: call AVCOG at 783-9186 or visit www.avcog.org.

Sunday, Sept. 27

9:30 a.m. - **American Heart Association Heart Walk** will lead walkers onto Rumford's Hosmer Field. Anyone interested in walking in the Heart Walk may call Community Relations at Rumford Hospital, 369-1143, to learn what organizations are fielding teams. For general information go to www.central-maineheartwalk.org.

2 p.m. - **East Bethel Church Service** with Ben Conant.

Monday, Sept. 28

6:30 p.m. - **Waterford Library Bridge Group** meeting.

Friday, Oct. 2

9 a.m. to noon - **Preserving the Harvest Workshop** at University of Maine Cooperative Extension, 9 Olson Road, South Paris. Materials fee: \$10. FMI or to register: call (space limited): 743-6329 or (800) 287-1482.

Sunday, Oct. 4

10th annual Lumberjack Festival and Competition at Northern Forest Heritage Park. Gates open 10 a.m. Admission: \$5 for adults, children free when with adult. FMI: (603) 7202 or e-mail heritage@ncia.net or visit www.northernforestheritage.org.

Wednesday, Oct. 7

6:30 p.m. - **Franklin Grange 124**, Bryant Pond hosts Oxford County Grange 2 for their meeting. Potluck supper/with meeting following. Visitors welcome. Interested persons may call the secretary at 824-3393.

Thursday, Oct. 8

7:30 p.m. - **Bethel Historical Society Lecture**, Star King's "The White Hills" and "19th Century White Mountain Tourism" by Randall H. Bennett, assistant director and curator of collections at Mason House Exhibit Hall, 14 Broad Street. FMI: 824-2908 or (800) 824-2910.

Saturday, Oct. 10

11 a.m. - **Annual North American Wife Carrying Championships (NAWCC)** hosted by Sunday River as part of Fall Festival Weekend (2nd annual Mountain Epic Peak race, live music by Entrain, woodcarving demos, Taste of Maine sampling village, wine tasting, 26th annual Blue Mountain Arts and Crafts Fair, etc.). FMI: visit www.sundayriver.com.

Support Services

ABUSED WOMEN'S ADVOCACY PROJECT

AWAP serves all of Oxford County and provides emergency shelter, court advocacy and support groups with child care. Rumford office 869-0750; Norway office 743-5086; 24 hour hotline 1-800-559-2927

AA MEETINGS

Bethel Freedom Group's Big Book Meeting Sundays at 6pm at the United Methodist Church, Main Street.

Bethel Freedom Group's 12 Step/Traditions Meeting. Tuesdays at 6pm at the United Methodist Church, Main Street.

Bethel Freedom Group's Open Discussion Meeting. Fridays at 6pm at Bethel United Methodist Church, Main Street; and Saturdays (Thanksgiving through April 1) at 4pm at Sunday River South Ridge Base Lodge, third-floor human resources conference room.

ADDICTION HELP

Narconon, a nonprofit public benefit organization that specializes in helping people with drug or alcohol addictions offers FREE assessments and more than 11,000 local referrals through the 800 line. Drug addiction can be overcome and Narconon can help. Call (800) 556-8885 or visit www.drugrehab.net.

CANCER WELLNESS

Support and Education for cancer patients, survivors and caregivers. Every Thursday, 1:30-3:00pm. Rumford Hospital, Room 357. (877) 336-7287. Call to confirm during stormy weather.

EXCHANGES

District Exchange Community Thrift Shop accepts donations of in-season clothing in clean, wearable condition only. Drop-off hours and shopping: Monday 1-4pm, Thursday 4-6pm and Saturday, 10am-12pm.

The Woodstock Seventh Day Adventist Church Community Service Center offers assistance to individuals or families with food needs in the South Woodstock, Bryant Pond, West Paris and Sumner areas are invited to call 674-2666, 674-2663, or 665-2226 to learn more details.

HELP FOR THE HOMELESS

Rumford Group Homes, Inc. operates three homeless shelters, a transitional living program for youth 18-21, homeless youth outreach and case management services for adults and children. Emergency shelter includes the South Paris Men's Shelter, the Norway Family Center for women and children in crisis, and the Strafford Ave. Family Center in Rumford. To make a referral or request help in the South Paris area, call 744-4031 or call 369-9439 for help in the Rumford area M-F 8a-4p. For more information on Rumford Group Homes, Inc. call 364-3551 or visit www.rumfordgrouphomes.org.

MENTAL ILLNESS

Beacon House Social Club, 150 Congress Street, Rumford, a drop-in social club for adults suffering with mental, emotional, or physical illness, provides support, relaxation, and socialization. Monday 1 to 5pm; Tuesday 9am-2pm; Wednesday 9am-8pm; Wednesday 3-8pm; Friday 2-7pm; Saturday 11am-4pm. Oxford County Mental Health Services, support for adults and children with mental illness, same location, second floor, open Monday-Friday 8am-4pm. For more information, call 364-3549 or (800) 335-9999, or in off-hours 928-3222.

POST PARTUM

"Meet the Midwives" meets from 5-6:30 every first Tuesday of the month, and the Post Partum Support Group meets every fourth Wednesday of the month from 6:30-7:30. The meetings take place at Blue Moon Midwives, 176 Main Street, Norway, directly across from Stephen's Memorial Hospital. For more information, call 207-739-2800 or visit www.bluemoonmidwives.com

REACH

Rape Education and Crisis Hotline 1-800-871-7741. Sexual assault/sexual abuse hotline, same number. Support groups and awareness education, past or present victims of abuse.

VETERANS' SERVICES

Maine Veterans Home, S. Paris, first Wednesday each month, 9-12 noon (743-6300); Career Center in Rumford (364-9718), second Thursday 9-12 noon; Lewiston (795-4590), 29 Westminster St., 7:30am to 4pm, Monday thru Friday, Location: Monday-Sunday School 2:45-4:15pm. Tel. 392-4841.

Church Services

ALBANY

Congregational Church - Hunts Corner, 9:30am. Sunday worship and Sunday School at 9am; Pastor Eddie Gammon, Bible Study 6:30 Thursdays at the home of Fernand Coriveau.

ANDOVER

First Congregational Church - Rev. Jane Rich. Sunday morning worship 10 to 11 a.m. followed by brunch. All welcome. FMI - 392-3761. Calvary Bible Church - Pastor Ken Wagstaff. Sunday School 9:30 - 10:30. Morning worship 10:45 - noon. Wednesday prayer meeting, 6:30 p.m. Rt. 5, South Andover. 392-1121.

BETHEL

Bethel Alliance Church - Rev. Kevin Bellinger, Pastor; Jim Rose, Youth Pastor. Sundays: Sunday school for adults and children at 9 a.m.; Worship Service at 10 a.m.; Kids Klub (4 yrs.-4th grade) and High School Youth Group (9th-12th grade) at 6:30 p.m. Thursdays: Middle School Youth Group (6th-8th grade) at 5 p.m. For more information, call 824-2288.

Church of the Nazarene - Pastor Chuck Mason, 9:30 a.m. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. morning worship. Wednesday evening service in different locations. Call for info., 824-4028 (voice mail) or 824-7288 FMI.

West Parish Congregational - Rev. Virginia Rickman. 10 a.m. worship, child care available. Prayer, Tuesday, 8 a.m. FMI call 824-0500.

Our Lady of the Snows - Saturday mass at 6 p.m., Rev. Angelo Levasseur. 364-4556.

United Methodist - Geoffrey Gross, Pastor. 10:30 a.m. Sunday worship. Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.

West Bethel Union - Morning worship and 9 a.m. Sunday School. For information, call 836-3533 or 836-2882. Rev. John Williams.

Pleasant Valley Bible - Pastor Aaron McNally. Sunday Services: Sunday School, 9am; Worship Service, 10am; Ladies Bible study Tuesday, 2:30pm; Prayer meeting Tuesday 6pm; Awana clubs follow school-year calendar. FMI 836-3006 or 824-2037.

Church of Christ - at home of Keith Hamel, minister, 507 Walker's Mills Road (Route 26), Bethel. Sunday: Bible class, 9 a.m.; Worship Service 10 a.m. Wednesday: Bible study, 7 p.m. 824-3577 FMI.

Seventh Day Adventist Fellowship: Meets at the Nazarene Church on Saturdays, on Church Street in Bethel. For more info, call 824-6939.

EAST STONEHAM

Oxford County United Parish Churches in Stoneham and North Waterford - Services at 10 a.m. at the North Waterford Congregational Church (OUC), located on the Five Kezars Road, off Routes 35 & 37, opposite Melby's Market. Services held at North Waterford through the winter months. Choir practice 9am, followed by Bible Study at 9:15am.

GORHAM, NH

Assembly of God - Pastor Paul Levigen. Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday service 10:30 a.m., Sunday evening service 7 p.m.,

Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m. FMI 603-466-2851.

Gorham Congregational Church - Interim minister Rev. Kent Schneider. Sunday morning worship and church school at 10:30am. Communion is celebrated the first Sunday of each month. FMI 603-466-2138.

HARRISON

Bolster's Mills United Methodist Church - Bolster's Mills Road, Harrison. Rev. Walter R. Brown, Pastor. Sunday worship at 8:45 a.m. Church school 10:15 a.m. for kids kindergarten - grade 12. Call 669-9024 or 998-7040 for more info.

LOCKE MILLS

Locke Mills Union - Pastor Sondra Withey. Sunday morning service will begin at 9 a.m. Bible study at the church is every Tuesday at 6:30 pm. Everyone is welcome.

MEXICO

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints - 265 Main Street. Worship Service Sundays at 10am. Pres. Peter Beckel. 364-5681.

NEWRY

Sunday River Christian Ministry - with Rev. Don Coverdale and gospel singer Cynthia Clark. On-mountain interdenominational worship service held every Sunday during ski season. ALERT: we are now located in the Juniper Room; Jordan Grand Hotel. New time: 10:00am-11:00am. Ski-in, or take the resort shuttle from South Ridge to Jordan. For more information: 824-5896 (recording).

NORWAY/PARIS

First Church of Christ, Scientist - Sunday service 10 a.m., Wed. Testimony service 7:30 p.m. 5 Morrill Rd/Rt. 118 (corner to Norway Country Club), Norway. Call 824-4099 FMI or ride.

Trinity Lutheran Church - Route 117, S. Paris. Pastors Kim Marie and Tom Myhre. Sunday School at 9am; Sunday morning service 10:15 a.m. with coffee, refreshments and good fellowship. Bible Study, Wednesdays 7 p.m.

North Paris Federation - Morse Hill Road, North Paris. Sunday Service 8 a.m. Pastor Bruce Tyner. 674-2968. Singers perform third Sunday each month alternating with West Paris Baptist Church at 7 p.m.

Oxford Hills Friends (Quakers) - Sunday worship 9:30 a.m. at HOPE Ripley Center, High Street, S. Paris across the park from the Post Office. Call Ursula Brandon at 665-2880 or Sue Reilly at 966-2012 for more information.

Christ Episcopal Church - 35 Paris St., Sunday Services 9 a.m., June-Aug.; Sunday School at 10 a.m. Informal worship at 5 p.m. Sundays. Healing service with communion 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday. Rev. Anne Stanley. Call 743-6782 for more information.

First Baptist Church of Paris - On the Common at the top of Paris Hill. 10:30 am worship service. Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. Coffee hour follows the service. Fellowship lunch held the first Sunday of each month following worship. Pastor Ron Blake.

St. Catherine's: Saturday 6 p.m. Vigile Mass; Sunday 8:30 a.m. Mass. Unitarian Universalist Church of Norway - 11am worship, (Sept - June) Child care is provided. Religious education classes 11am-12:15pm. FMI 743-2828.

OXFORD

St. Mary's - Saturday 4 p.m. Vigile Mass. Our Lady of Ransom: Sunday 10:30 a.m. Mass.

RUMFORD

St. Barnabas Episcopal Church - Holy Communion, 9:30 a.m. Rev. Tim Parsons, Priest-in-charge. Special holidays will be announced. Stone church the holiday.

RUMFORD CENTER

Praise Assembly of God - Pastor Justin Thacker. Adult and teen Sunday school 9am. Sunday worship service at 10am. Sunday prayer meeting at 6pm. Wednesday night bible study and youth group 7pm. 170 Ardover Road. Pres. Peter Beckel. 364-5681 or see our website at www.praiseassemblyofgod.net.

RUMFORD POINT

Rumford Point Church - Sunday service, Sunday School, 10:30 a.m. Sondra Withey.

SUMNER

East Sumner Congregational - Linda Kimball, pastor. Sunday service, 9 a.m.

WEST PARIS

Unitarian Universalist Church of West Paris - 9 a.m. worship. Rev. Richard Beal. 674-2143.

West Paris Baptist - Sunday Worship 9:15 am., Bruce Tyner, Pastor. Sunday School Preschool thru kindergarten 9:45am, Sunday School Grades 1-6, 10:25am. Sunday evening worship 7:00 p.m.; Monday Diaconette meeting first Monday of the month; Tuesday ladies fellowship meets the fourth Tuesday of every month. Tea & Toys Time Bi-Weekly 9:30-11:30am. Adult Choir Wednesday evenings, Wednesday Bible Study and Prayer 7pm, church business meetings the third Wednesday of the month.

West Paris Congregational Church - Linda Kimball, pastor. Sunday Worship 11 a.m.; Sunday School 10 a.m.

WOODSTOCK

Bryant Pond Baptist - Pastor Larry Hodgkins. Sundays: Sunday School 9:15 a.m.; Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.; Evening Service 6:00 p.m.; Wednesdays: Prayer & bible study 6:30 p.m.; Fridays: Youth Group 7-12th grade, 6:30pm

Woodstock Seventh day Adventist - Pastor Richard Wright (207-797-9678), Saturday: 9:20 a.m. Sabbath school, 11 a.m. worship service.

Pinhook Meeting House (Rt. 232, North Woodstock) - Hymn Sing, last Friday of each month, 7 p.m. All welcome.

Mahosue Mountain Friends - a worship group meeting in the unprogrammed tradition of Friends (Quakers) - Sundays, 9:30 a.m. at the Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond. Newcomers welcome. Call Dick Stratton at 824-6

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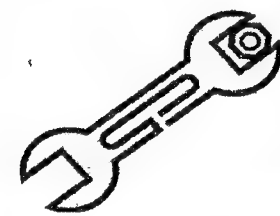
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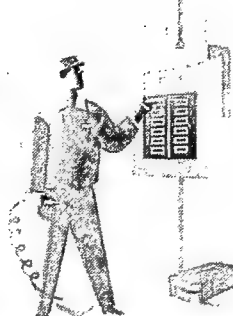
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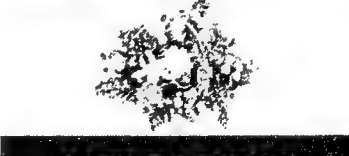
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From Region 9 School of Applied Technology

Last Friday members and spouses of the Mexico Fire Department and the Rumford Fire Department as well as members from surrounding towns, along with Medcare Ambulance personnel, and Mexico Town Manager John Madigan joined Region 9 students and staff members for a short ceremony to mark the 8th anniversary of 911. On site were Mexico Engines 1 and 2, Rumford Engine 7 and Car 1, and a Medcare Ambulance. Mexico Fire Chief Gary

Wentzell led the event which included a moment of silence, ringing of the 5-5-5 bell code on one of the fire trucks honoring the firefighters and all emergency responders that lost their lives, a short speech which included times of the attacks, and details of the number of lives lost, and ended with the flag salute led by our guests.

From Western Mountains Senior College

WMSC's seventh annual meeting held last week was "active, interesting and

full of spirit" claims one of those who attended. Nearly 50 members and newly registered members heard highlights of the past year from co-chair, Jackie Cressy, while Bonnie Pooley, co-chair, then pointed to the fall WMSC newsletter as an example of an active fall session ahead. Joe Arizzi, financial chair, discussed the healthy outlook of WMSC. Joe was praised for his contributions to WMSC as he leaves the board this year.

Rosemary McLean, Judith Whitman and Virginia Gamble were voted as incoming members of the Board. Walter Brough, Nancy Davis and Peter Gartner are returning to the Board for their second three-year terms.

In an effort to encourage members to renew their memberships prior to the Sept. 1 membership year, WMSC offered a gift certificate to Books N Things where books for WMSC courses are ordered. Fifty members renewed in advance and their names were placed in a drawing. Mary-Ellen Gartner was the lucky winner.

Saving the best for last, Lynn Arizzi displayed her talents on piano as she led the group in a "name that tune" event. Nancy Davis and Roberta Taylor led the singing as soon as the tune was identified and Carole Campbell gave the winner an apple. As singing filled the room for the remainder of the program, someone was heard

questioning: "Is it time for a Senior Chorus?" Time will tell.

Following the meeting we learned that WMSC has close to 80 renewing, new and guest members. The popularity of the courses is evident as the total number of enrollments to date is 79. These courses include Creative Writing, Great Decisions, Flannery O'Connor Short Stories, Explorations in Spirituality, Senior College Players and Introduction to Spanish.

If you haven't renewed your membership yet, you can still do so. Send your membership fee to WMSC, PO Box 1305, Bethel. Some courses may still be open to enrollments. For more information, please

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From Waterford Library

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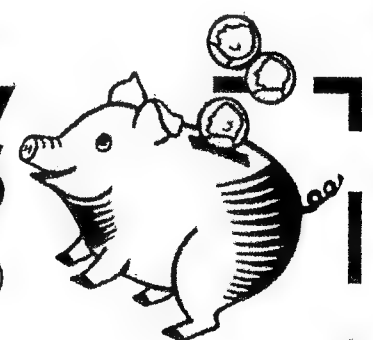
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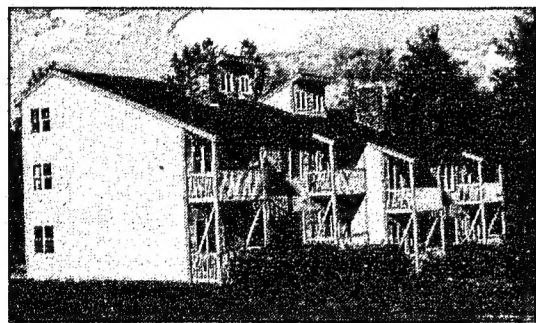
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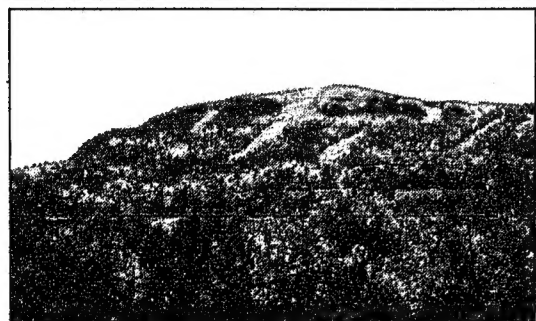
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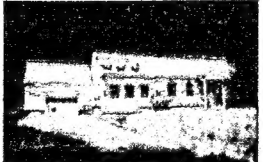
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Jerry K's Korner on the Market! (soon to be syndicated)
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Saturday, September 19 • 1-3pm

The homes & town homes featured above will be available for viewing during our Village Open House. Refreshments will be served. Maps are available at our South Ridge Office, as well as at the properties. Please join us to see all of these beautiful Bethel homes.

Look for signs and/or balloons to indicate the homes included on the day of the event.
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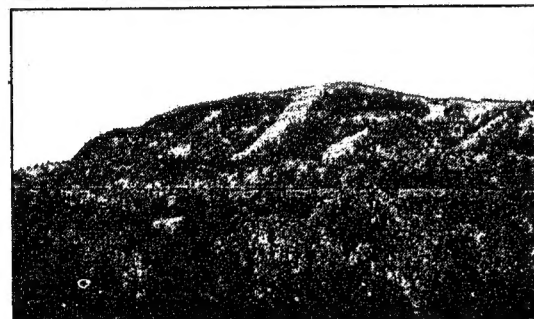
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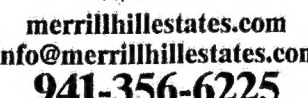


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Obituaries

PAULINE E. BROWNE

Pauline "Polly" (Enman) Browne, 77, of North Liberty, passed away at 3:40 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 13, in her residence.

Pauline was born May 6, 1932, in Bethel, Maine, to the late Leon and Elsie (Vail) Enman. On Dec. 15, 1951, in Bethel, Maine, she married James A. Browne, her loving husband of 57 years, who survives. Also surviving are a daughter, Debi (Arlen) Stucky of Brooklyn, Mich.; two sons, Larry (Robin) Browne of North Liberty and Dennis (Loretta) Browne of Jacksonville, N.C.; seven grandchildren, Elizabeth Goodsell, Kristen Nicks, Adriane Baker, Nate Stucky, Heather Patterson, Jason Browne and Jamie Browne, 10 great-grandchildren; and a brother, Walt Enman of South Paris, Maine.

Pauline was a missionary for 32 years, and a member of New Tribes Mission, Sanford, Fla. In Pauline's memory, contributions may be made to New Tribes Mission, 1000 E. 1st Street, Sanford, FL 32771-1487; or to The Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, 111 Sunnyside Court, South Bend, IN 46637. There will be no visitation or services. Cremation will be held at Welshmer Crematory. Family and friends may leave e-mail condolences at welshfh@yahoo.com.



DONALD K. LORD

Don was born Aug. 20, 1931, in a farmhouse in Gilead. From the beginning Don was intended for success. In his early years, he received 13 pins for perfect attendance in Sunday school — one for each year. He started playing the trumpet at age 7 and at the age of 12 he began playing for dances with his mother and father (Lord's Orchestra). He continued to play with Lord's Orchestra until college (1949).

While attending Gould Academy, graduating class of 1949, Don participated in the band, orchestra, chorus, church choir, and track. In the fall of '49, Don entered the University of Maine as a ROTC Cadet. He was a drum major for ROTC Band, 4 years; a drum major for the University of Maine 100 piece band, 3 years; Choir Director at college church, 3 years; and graduated in 1953 as 2nd Lt. (Army) with a Music degree.

In August 1953, Don entered the United States Army as 2nd Lieutenant with the Army Air Defense Artillery, Ft. Bliss, Texas. While in the Army, Don had four tours of duty: Germany 1957-1960, Vietnam 1963-1964; Panama 1966-1969; and Crete 1970-1971. While in Vietnam, he was acknowledged in the center section of Stars & Stripes for Psychological Warfare exploits.

Don also continued to pursue his love of music while in the Army. He had his own band in Panama for two years (1967-1969) called The Saints of Dixieland. The band played for Officers and NCO clubs, Elks, Moose, etc. In 1973, after 20 years of service, Don retired from the U.S. Army as Lt. Colonel.

Don continued to pursue his love of music. In September 1974, Don joined the Rosie O'Grady's Jazz Band in Orlando, Fla., where he played various festivals in U.S., England, Wales, Scotland, and Holland. In 1994, after 20 years of performing on stage, Don retired to Lord's Little Acres and Critter Farm. In 2004, he moved to Washington state, where he resided until his passing on Sept. 1, 2009. Don was loved by many. His inspiration will live on. He will be greatly missed.

Don is survived by his wife, Jenny, and her four children; sister, Janice Mott; brother, Dwight Lord; his five children by wife, Amy Doepp: Don Lord, Jr., David Lord, Catherine Barberi, Carole Quintana, Jim Lord. He was pre-deceased by his wife, Jackie. Don is also survived by many grandchildren from all of the families who were a part of his life.

Graveside services will be held Oct. 24, 2009 at Pine Grove Cemetery, West Bethel, Maine (time pending).



TIMOTHY FANNING

Timothy Fanning, 51, died suddenly on Sept. 8, 2009 at his home in North Waterford.

Tim, who always had roots in Maine, moved from Maryland to North Waterford with his life partner, Laurie Davis, in 1985. Prior to moving to Maine, Tim studied geology at George Washington University in Washington, D.C. Tim apprenticed and then worked as a blacksmith for several years and following that he began working for Belding Survey in Harrison.

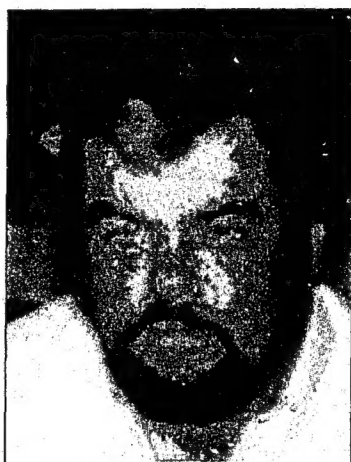
Tim loved being outside, whether he was hiking, searching for gems and minerals or gliding across the lake or down a river in a canoe. His joy and pleasure in the experience was clear to everyone who knew him. Tim was one of those rare individuals who sought after information constantly. He was always reaching for a field guide or reference book to look up and identify some plant or perhaps the tracks of an animal found while out snowshoeing.

Another of his passions, which tied in so well to his work for a land surveyor, was maps. Old maps, new maps, topographic maps and the history behind them were a never-ending source of fascination for Tim. Tim was also an avid researcher of town roads. He did extensive research on the history and status of the roads in both the Town of Waterford and for the Town of Greenwood. Tim worked hard for the Town of Waterford, first joining the Planning Board and then being elected as the chairman. As chairman, Tim was known for his thoughtful and thorough research into Maine Law. He was a firm believer in the planning review process and he worked hard to study the law that drives that process. His commitment to helping

the Town of Waterford was evident to all who worked with him.

He is survived by his life partner, Laurie Davis; his mother, Sylvia Fanning; his father, Kenneth Fanning; his brother and sister-in-law, Tom and Jacque Fanning and their children Nick, Matt and Ryan Bolduc.

He was cherished and loved and will be greatly missed by family, friends and community. At 2 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 19, 2009 a celebration of Tim's life will be held at his home at 201 Five Kezars Road, in North Waterford. All who wish to attend are welcome. A potluck meal will follow. In lieu of flowers, those who wish to make a donation in Tim's memory may do so to Stoneham Rescue at P.O. Box 42, Stoneham, ME 04231. Online condolences may be shared with his family at www.westonchandler.com.



RICHARD BLODGETT, JR.

Richard A. Blodgett, Jr., 57, of North Andover Road, Andover, Maine died unexpectedly at his residence on Friday, Sept. 11, 2009.

He was born in Rumford, Maine on Aug. 1, 1952 to Richard and Rena (Turbidie) Blodgett, Sr. and he was one of 14 siblings.

Richard lived in the area most of his life. He began his career working for Sampsons Supermarket Chain and he worked various locations throughout the state for 10 years. He worked as a supervisor at Bancroft Contracting Company in South Paris for over 26 years until retirement in 2004 due to illness.

He was a member of the Calvary Bible Church. He loved fishing, tinkering, and spending time with his family and grandchildren.

Richard was married in Rumford, on Jan. 23, 1971 to the former Anna Marie Conant of Dixfield.

Survivors include his wife of 38 years, Anna Blodgett of Andover; daughters, Michelle Ross and husband Dan of Key West, Fla., Tracey Milledge and fiancé Matthew Fuller of Dixfield, Melissa Blodgett of Andover; a son, Richard Blodgett, III and companion Deborah Shover of Rumford; eight grandchildren, Danny and Sarah Ross, Kyle and Adam Shover, Sarah Milledge, Carter Fuller, Jakob and Isaac Bacheller; brothers, Ernest, Mark, Gary, Kurt, Karl, Kris, Keith and Kelly; sisters, Tina, Lisa, Kim and Tira; and a multitude of nieces and nephews; and was predeceased by his parents and his sister, Deborah Morton.

Memorial services will be held 11 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 17, 2009 at the Blodgett Camp, Masterman Road, Weld, Maine with Pastor Kenneth Wagstaff officiating. Interment will be in the Blodgett family cemetery, Weld, Maine. In lieu of flowers, please contribute to the Jakob and Isaac Bacheller Fund, c/o Anna Blodgett, P.O. Box 353, Andover, ME 04216 in his memory. Online condolences and memories may be shared at www.meadersandson.com.



CECELIA C. H. BELL

Mrs. Cecelia C. Hyland Bell, 81, died Monday Sept. 14, 2009 at the Rumford Community Home.

Cecelia was a mother and housewife raising four children in East Andover, Maine for 25 years before moving to Massachusetts. She became a Certified Nurses Aide and worked for two nursing homes in Lynn, Mass., until her retirement. For the past 15 years she lived with her daughter Virginia in

Merrimac, Mass.

Cecelia loved the water and enjoyed spending time with her family at Roxbury Pond and Richardson Lake. She had a passion for reading mystery novels and was a music lover and used to sing at home.

She was a member of the East Andover Community Club when she lived in Andover. She loved the outdoors and in 1956 Cecelia became a member of the Big Buck Club when she harvested a beautiful 8-point buck. She also enjoyed BBQs and feeding the birds and squirrels from her daughter Virginia's back deck where she lived for the last 15 years. She was an animal lover who had several pets of her own over the years and enjoyed the dogs and cats that her children and grandchildren had.

Cecelia enjoyed returning to Maine for vacations especially during the summer BBQ season when fresh garden vegetables were available and her son-in-law, Roger, would cook vegetables or make salads and BBQ just the way she liked. She was an avid Lottery player.

She had a great sense of humor. Her favorite expression was "I wish I was rich instead of so beautiful," and when asked her age the answer was always 29.

She is survived by four daughters, Virginia Penney of Merrimac, Mass., Cynthia Towle and her husband Eugene of Rumford, Susan Jones and her husband Roger of Gray, Elizabeth Beauchesne of Andover; one sister, Veronica McAllister and her husband Robert of Groveland, Mass.; seven grandchildren; six great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by a grandson, Dale Penney, and a sister, Mary Frongillo.

At the family's request there are no services. Those who desire may contribute to McKenna's Animal Shelter, 88 Hall Hill Road, Rumford, ME 04276 in her memory. Online condolences may be shared at meadersandson.com.

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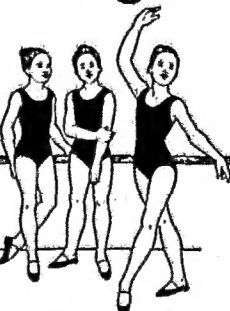


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